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EDITORIAL COMMENTS

Maybe President Truman knows so much about Congressional committee investigations that he dubbed the present spy hunt as a red herring. Well, the President headed such a committee, and to make such a charge now does not look good for his past investigations. The facts remain that some one has let government documents get into the hands of Russian agents. Regardless of whether Russia was or was not our enemy or our friend at the time, no hiring of the government had the right to be spreading government information to any nation. Those who were guilty should be punished.

The practice of stealing Christmas decorations is a tragedy for a community. But when trees are destroyed in order that Christmas lights may be stolen, the case is down to the tug status. Those who go to the trouble of decorating their homes for the benefit of the public are entitled to better treatment at the hands of the public. Thievery of Christmas lights, and the action of thugs in destroying trees on which the lights are strung is no longer a prank. Those guilty should be punished.

Personally we do not believe that the President will be able to steal for the federal government the oil in the Gulf of Mexico which belongs to the school children of Texas. In spite of the approval of Attorney General Clark, of Texas, all Texas delegations in Congress will oppose the President. His fight there is on the same basis as his proposed Civil Rights program. Southern members of Congress have their knives sharpened for this fight.

Herbert Hoover recommends that the President get a boost in salary. Back in Hoover's days, \$75,000 per year with White House allowances was a pretty good salary. In spite of the fact that Hoover had an independent income, he made nothing from his job. In Truman's case, he is going in the red, and has no independent income to fall back on. Congressmen are said to be shaking their heads. If anyone gets a raise, members of Congress want to be in on the increase.

Dr. J. A. Hill, President Emeritus of West Texas State, appeals to Randall county citizens for support for the Chapel Fund. Many appeals are made for Christmas giving. We can think of no better way in which to express your appreciation for the fine work which Dr. Hill has performed in Canyon during the past 38 years than to assist him in this worthy enterprise.

From the replies being received at *The News* office there will be a very large number of newspaper men and women in Canyon on Saturday, January 15. That is the date for the regional meeting of the Panhandle Press Association. We know that the people of Canyon will treat our newspaper friends most graciously on that date. What about it, Mr. Weather Man? What about January's weather?

In last week's issue of *The News* we published a picture showing President R. A. Neblett and Secretary Mrs. E. D. Harrell signing the Canyon Independent school district bonds which were recently authorized. Before the paper came out the money had been received in Canyon. Quick action!

President Truman was elected last week! Just think what suspense he must have been in since November 2. The electors got together and cast their votes for him. Without this vote Truman could not serve. What a joke this Electoral College is!

No your eyes do not deceive you. You see red on the first page! The red comes as a tribute to Christmas time. If we had the time we would smear on a little green and decorate up the first page good and proper. But this takes more time than we have at our disposal.



"Yes, indeed!"

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age—they do not believe except what they see—they think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds."

"All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little."

"In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge."

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus."

"He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished."

"Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies!"

"You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus—the most real things in the world are those neither children nor men can see."

"Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not"

For many, many years the letter to Virginia has been printed on this page at Christmas time. It is repeated again this year, but decorated up in order to bring a nearer approach to the Christmas spirit. Whether in cold type, or in its present fancy form, the sentiment is the same. We're glad that Virginia wrote to the New York Sun, and the editor took time to pen his famous reply.

The city is making an effort to stop speeding and ditch 'em on the city streets. Citizens can be of great assistance. When you see a car speeding on the streets, get the license number and call the officers. That is the only way lives may be protected. Officers cannot be stationed at every intersection to see that crazy drivers become sane at times.

A lot of Randall county folks are wondering about 1949. What does the new year hold in stock for us? That's something no one knows. If we just have plenty of rain, nature will take care of the situation, regardless of other conditions. Moisture is the thing we most crave in these closing days of 1948.

Building materials will be lower in price and better in quality in 1949 according to building experts. That should be an incentive for more home building. It seems that building costs are entirely out of line for the construction of big buildings.

We read in old books that stores used to stay open 12 to 15 hours per day, with few holidays. The trend is for shorter business hours and more holidays. The bankers seem to have taught the balance of the business world a lesson.

We imagine that most Randall county folks will be so busy finishing up their Christmas shopping that they will not be particularly interested in editorials this week. At least we are all in the same boat, and are rushed mad trying to wind up the annual Christmas rush.

According to Washington reports, the President is harrassed by office seekers. It seems that everyone wants a job in Washington—and of course all of the seekers are true blue, staunch Truman followers. (Others keep out).

An interesting newspaper is published by the inmates of the state penitentiary at Huntsville. A newspaper man is the editor. He is a guy who thought his name on all checks was good, regardless of the condition of his bank account.

In times like these the easiest way to dispose of some one whom you do not particularly like is to proclaim that he is a commie. Good folks are often illy accused in such a manner.

We received a copy of an eastern publication which is supposed to be anti-communist. The stuff is a jumble of words, but we gather that it is likewise anti-jew and anti-negro.

It seems that Madame Chaing has spent a lot of our good American money in a vain effort to talk us out of more cash. While Chaing may have been a good man in years past, his days of usefulness are past. The grafters have wrecked his government.

The President lets it be known that he will push his civil rights program. For a man who says he will not run for another term of office, Truman is certainly playing a lot of politics.

Do you have visitors for the holidays? Are you going away for Christmas? Please phone *The News* and tell us about these visitors.

Please, please drive carefully, and be alert while driving on the crowded highways. Better be a cautious coward than a dead brave, bold driver.

Yes, Virginia

Back in 1897, little Virginia O'Hanlon wrote the following letter to the editor of the New York Sun: "I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says, 'If you see it in The Sun it's so.' Please tell me the truth—is there a Santa Claus?' The editor wrote a newspaper and literary classic in reply to this childish plea. It is reprinted here."

there—nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders that are unseen and unseeable in the world."

"You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, or even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside the curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond."

"Is it all real?—ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding."

"No Santa Claus! Thank God!—he lives, and he lives forever—a thousand years from now, Virginia, say, ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."



Christmas Lights Will Remain Up Until New Year

The Christmas lights in the business district will remain up until the first of January in order to continue the holiday spirit throughout the balance of 1948.

Citizens of Canyon are requested to continue their home Christmas lights until about the same time.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Brown will spend Christmas here in the home of Mr. Brown's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brown. Mr. and Mrs. Brown are living in Waco, where Mr. Brown will receive his M. A. degree from Baylor University this spring.

Frances Standley arrived home Friday night from Waco where she is attending Baylor University, to spend Christmas holidays in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Standley.

Dr. Ima C. Barlow, Dr. and Mrs. L. F. Sheffy and Dr. Hattie Anderson will attend the American National Historical Society meeting in Washington, D. C. during the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. C. E. Davidson, mother of Mrs. Bryan McDonald, is now home from the hospital in Houston where she has been for some weeks. Her condition is reported much improved. Mrs. Davidson's home is in Ozona.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McDonald and Mary Gail visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan McDonald last week-end. Charles is teaching in Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Baber will spend Christmas in Wichita Falls with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Huff and daughters.

Powerful Democratic Congressman will demand soon after the 81st Congress convenes that the U. S. disclose how many atomic bombs it has stockpiled and the rate of production of atomic bombs. They reason that Russia already knows and that publication of the figures might retard Soviet movements toward war.

Universal military training legislation has a slim chance in the 81st Congress. Chairman Vinson of the House Armed Services Committee has told Army and Navy brass that they might just as well forget UMT in view of Truman's cuts in proposed military budgets.

One of the chief opponents to Aid for China is William McChesney Martin, president of the U. S. Export-Import Bank. Martin has told friends his bank will "not even consider" loans to China for two reasons (1) The bank has nowhere near the money China needs and (2) China is a poor business risk."

THE STATE OF TEXAS
To: The Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be posted for ten (10) days exclusive of the days of posting, before the return day hereof at the court house door in Randall County, Texas, and to publish to be published in a newspaper published in the English language and of general circulation in Randall County, Texas one publication at least ten (10) days before the return day hereof, a copy of the following notice:

THE STATE OF TEXAS
To: All Persons Interested in the Estate of Corrie Leona Jenkins:
Ima Hays, Administratrix of said estate, has filed in the County Court of Randall County, Texas, on the 17 day of December, 1948, her final account of the condition of the estate of said Corrie Leona Jenkins, No. 504, on the Probate Docket of said Court, together with an application to be discharged from said administration.

Said account and application will be acted upon by said court on Monday, the 27th day of December, 1948, at the court house of said county, in Canyon, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said account and application may contest same, should they so desire.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the 27th day of December, 1948 this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness T. H. Lair, Clerk of the County Court of Randall County, Texas.

Given under my Hand and Seal of said Court at office in the City of Canyon, Randall County, Texas, this the 17 day of December, 1948.

T. H. LAIR,
Clerk of the County Court,
Randall County, Texas.

Issued this 17th day of December, 1948.

T. H. LAIR,
Clerk of the County Court,
Randall County, Texas.

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to wish for you all
the good things in life.

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extend this holiday
greeting to all our friends.

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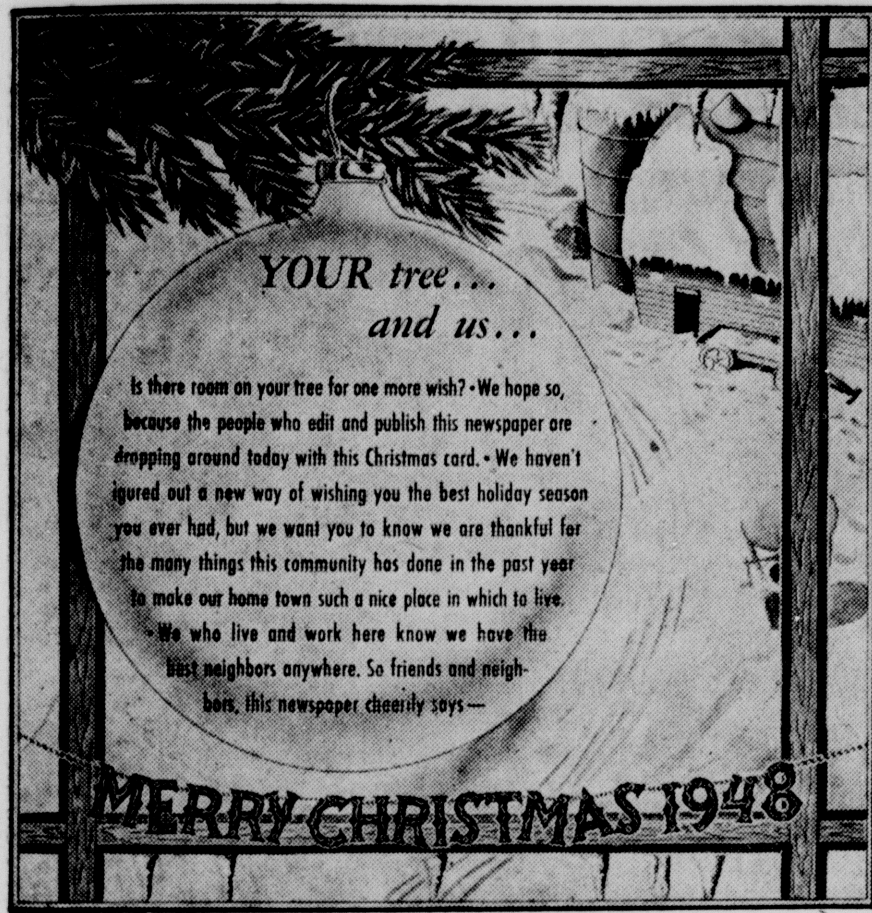
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A Christmas Greeting

☆ In this changeless season of
Christmas we greet our friends
and neighbors with that changeless message of cheer...



MERRY CHRISTMAS!

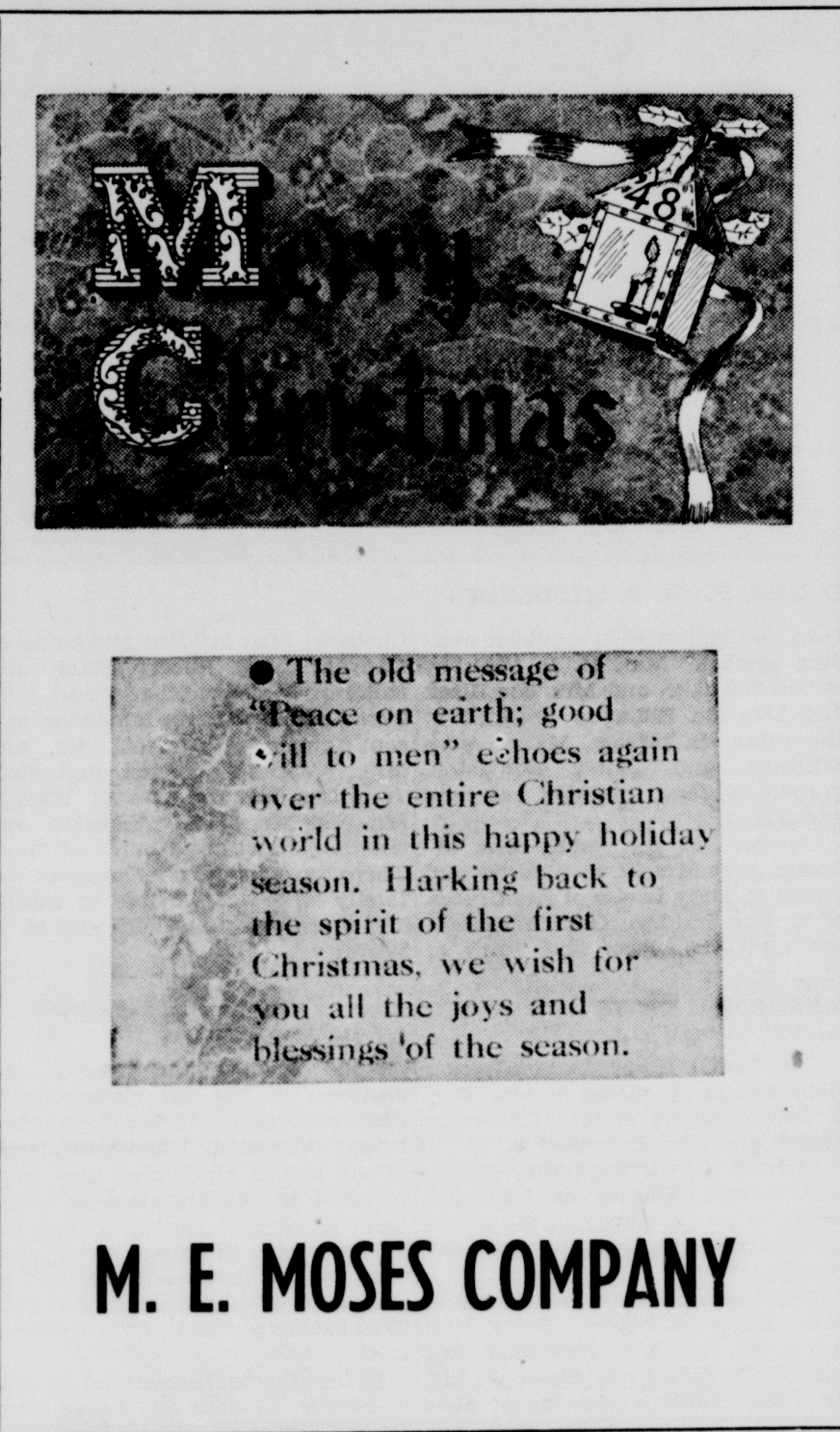
Albert Brown
MILK ROUTE



YOUR tree... and us...

Is there room on your tree for one more wish? We hope so, because the people who edit and publish this newspaper are dropping around today with this Christmas card. We haven't figured out a new way of wishing you the best holiday season you ever had, but we want you to know we are thankful for the many things this community has done in the past year to make our home town such a nice place in which to live. We who live and work here know we have the best neighbors anywhere. So friends and neighbors, this newspaper cheerily says—

MERRY CHRISTMAS 1948



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● The old message of "Peace on earth; good will to men" echoes again over the entire Christian world in this happy holiday season. Harking back to the spirit of the first Christmas, we wish for you all the joys and blessings of the season.

M. E. MOSES COMPANY



Merry Christmas

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...and we mean MERRY, with loads of fun!

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SOMEONE AT CHRISTMAS

By CARLE FREEMAN

THE little gift shop was crowded when Nancy entered it, but almost immediately she noticed Larry Bryant. She sensed the usual disturbance at sight of him, and recalling the trend of her thoughts for the past several minutes brought a flush of warmth to her cheeks. She'd been thinking, somewhat resentfully, as she went along the busy streets of the little town, how unfair it was that Christmas had come before she could get acquainted with someone in Davenport—Larry Bryant, for instance, departmental head at the electric plant where she worked. Christmas wasn't Christmas unless it could be shared with someone.

And now Larry was standing at the dish counter deciding about a pair of little green rabbit salt and pepper shakers. It didn't matter particularly that he'd buy the shakers—aside from the significance of such an act—but she'd had her own heart set on them more or less for a week. Larry had been in the shop every afternoon that she'd been there, but this was his first time at the dish counter. The little shakers were as good as gone.

The other day when she'd looked at them, the sales girl had said, "Better buy them. These are the last ones, and they are a bargain at eight dollars. They came all the way from Sweden."

"I know," Nancy had said, but she had thought they'd be an extravagance and look out of place on the little table in her corner



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kitchenette at Lil Ransom's old rooming house. Then there'd be no one to admire them—only herself.

"They might be gone the next time you come," the girl had said when Nancy left the counter.

But they'd been there the next time Nancy went back to the little gift shop. Every afternoon for a week they'd been there, as if waiting for her to make up her mind to buy them.

Nancy held her breath as she watched Larry from a distance. For now she knew that if he didn't take the shakers, she'd buy them herself.

But even as Nancy watched, she saw him hand the shakers to a clerk.

She tried to push her disappointment aside and select an inexpensive little gift for one of her co-workers at the plant. Tomorrow was Christmas Eve, and the employees and officials of the plant had drawn names as part of a gift-giving program they'd planned to have about the huge, gayly decorated tree in the arched entrance.

Nancy dreaded the occasion, more so now than before. She regretted the day she'd left her home town to take a better job in Davenport. Why hadn't she waited until after Christmas to make the change!

When the time came the next day for the program, Nancy took the gift that was handed to her and slipped from the crowd. She wouldn't be missed, she thought bitterly, as she hurried from the building. Snow fell softly about her in a gentle burst from the dark sky, and the ring of voices from the plant followed her in a kind of haunting, sad beauty.

Inside her apartment she looked down at the gayly wrapped package in her hands through a blur of tears. It was the only Christmas gift she'd received, and it had been given only because someone had drawn her name.

She unwrapped the package, and suddenly the blur cleared to reveal the little green rabbit salt and pepper shakers with the long, saucy ears—one up and one limping down provocatively.

Her heart thumped in her throat. Larry had drawn her name. But the cost of the gifts they were to exchange was not to go over twenty-five cents!

Lil Ransom called up the stairs. "You're wanted on the phone, and 'tis a man."

Nancy placed the little shakers carefully on the table and turned to the door. The hum of "Silent Night" came from Lil Ransom's radio up the sweep of stairs, and Nancy found herself singing the words softly as she dashed down them, for she knew even before she heard his voice who was waiting for her on the telephone.

The secret of early rising is the application of mind over mattress.

Canyon Schools Get Money for Bonds in Amount of \$100,000

The school bond money was received last Wednesday morning by the depository, the First National Bank. The issue was in the amount of \$100,000.

Bonds were authorized several weeks ago by voters of the district after the consolidation of 16 districts.

The bond money goes to pay off the improvement program which was authorized several months ago by a vote of the taxpayers of the district.

Large Audience at Community Chorus Program Wednesday

The Methodist Church was almost filled Wednesday night when the Community Chorus gave its annual Christmas program.

The chorus is sponsored by the Music Arts Club of Canyon. Glenn A. Truax has been director of the chorus for the past two years when programs have been given.

1925 CLUB HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY

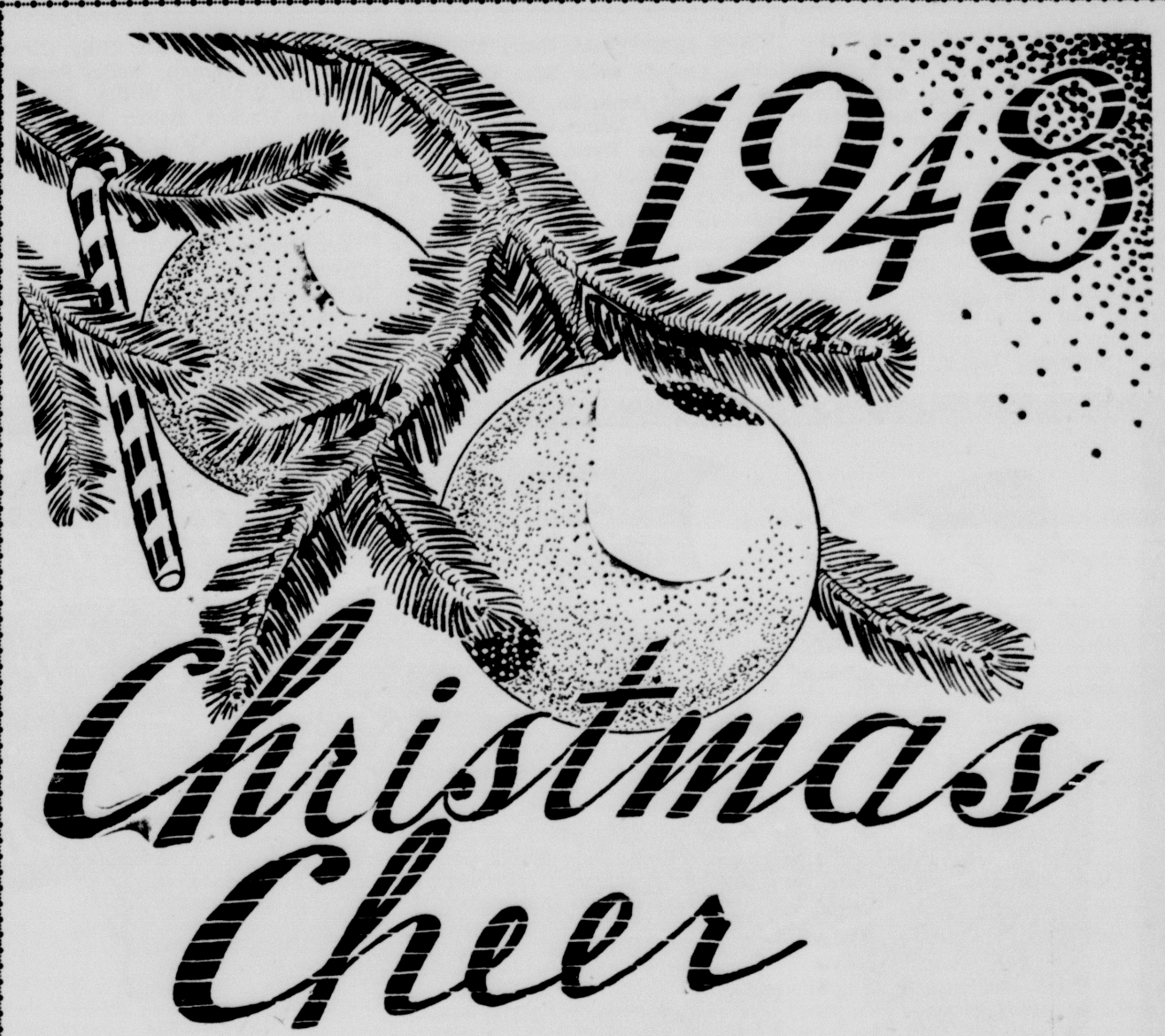
Mrs. W. A. Miller was hostess to the annual Christmas party of the 1925 Bridge Club on December 15. Gifts were exchanged from a gala decorated tree, and Christmas decorations were featured throughout the entertaining rooms.

Refreshments depicting the Christmas theme were served to Mrs. A. K. Knott, Mrs. George Nance, Mrs. Glenn Dowlen, Mrs. Herschel Coffee, Mrs. A. G. Kieselbach, Mrs. J. D. Barker, Mrs. J. L. Duflot, Mrs. Aubrey Crossland, Mrs. Gordon Lyons, Mrs. J. J. Walker, Mrs. Newton Crain, Mrs. Clark Jarnagin, Mrs. J. M. Daugherty, Mrs. Milton Morris, Mrs. Hosea Foster, Mrs. Mitchell Jones and the hostess.

Spending Christmas in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Gill are Mr. and Mrs. John Grissom and children of El Paso, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Dilg, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sanders and Miss Mildred Gill all of Dallas.

Charles Owens, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Owens, arrived home Tuesday from Austin where he is attending the University of Texas, and will spend Christmas holidays here with his family.

Mrs. Ida Barlow left Wednesday, December 22 for Houston where she will spend the Christmas holidays with her son and family, Carl Barlow.



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Christmas Cheer

It's Christmastime, and we are happy once more to extend our heartiest Yule greetings to a host of good friends, young and old, old and new.

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU!

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Season's Greetings

★ The tree, emblazoned with bright lights and shiny tinsel, is the age-old symbol of the Yuletide season.

★ May your gift from the Yule tree be a year of true peace and happiness.

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First National Bank

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SENIOR CLASS ENTERTAINED WITH CHRISTMAS PARTY

Miss June Jennings entertained the senior class of the Canyon High School on Wednesday night in the lovely country home of Mr. and Mrs. Jozach Byrd.

A dance was held in the large basement gally decorated with Christmas ornaments and cedar.

Golden punch, cookies, Christmas candy and nuts were served from an attractive table which carried out the Christmas motif. Mrs. C. O.

Elkins presided at the punch service. Guests were Mrs. George L. Grogan of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Elkins, James Inman, Mr. and Mrs. Jozach Byrd, Mr. and Mrs. John Jennings and Janie Jennings. Seniors present were Juanita Aven, Marion McReynolds, Mable Ann Graham, Juanda Jean Edwards, Erma Gene Zachry, Betty Ann Erwin, Laura Davis, Chloe Ann Black, Pay and Sue Dickerson, Mary Sue Foster, Janey Forester, Don Hickman, Donald Davis, Marvin Cor-

nette, Gerald McDuff, Billy Cleavenger, Jerre Inman, Willis Parsons, Richard Walters, Philip Busted, Weidon Hacker, Bobby King, Billy Cunningham, Harry Campbell, Jimmy Lindsey, Bryce Slack and the hostess.

Charles and Ken Hillier will spend Christmas holidays in Barstow, California with their mother. They will be accompanied to Los Angeles, California by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Knox Clayton, Jr.

NATIONAL GUARD SPONSORED DANCE

A dance last Saturday evening, December 18, at Randall Hall was sponsored by the local unit of the National Guard. Approximately 100 attended, and music was furnished by the Collegians. The National Guard is planning to sponsor dances about once a month if it is possible to make arrangements.

To the last minute shoppers: My flowers are like Maxwell House: Good to the last pot. Stevens Floral.

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. C. Middleton Honored With Tea on Golden Wedding Anniversary Sunday

MR. AND MRS. F. D. C. MIDDLETON

At an informal tea on Sunday afternoon, December 19, from 3 to 5 o'clock, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. C. Middleton were honored on their 50th wedding anniversary, at their home on 3rd Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Middleton were early settlers and pioneers in Bell County Texas. They were married in Bell County on December 18, 1898, and before her marriage Mrs. Middleton was Flora Irwin. Her family's home was one of the oldest in the county, and has just recently been sold since the recent death of her mother, Mrs. V. P. Irwin, at the age of 97.

The Middletons farmed in Bell County until 1907 when they moved to Haskell. They ran a dairy farm there and moved to Canyon in 1926 where they also operated a dairy farm until 1942, when Mr. Middleton retired and they moved into town.

Approximately 75 guests called Sunday afternoon to honor the couple, and they received many lovely gifts. Guests were greeted by different members of the family, assisted by the three young grandsons.

The serving table was laid with a white satin cloth, centered with an arrangement of gold and white chrysanthemums, flanked by white tapers. The three tiered wedding

cake was topped with a golden wedding symbol. Mrs. M. P. Whitney served the cake, and Mrs. Joe Black and Mrs. Ed Hollaway presided at the silver tea service. Mary Louise Whitney and Janet Middleton, granddaughters, presided at the guest book.

Members of the family who attended were Mrs. M. P. Whitney and daughter Mary Louise of Las Cruces, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Thompson and sons, Jerry and Terry of

Lubbock; Miss Mildred Middleton of Canyon; Mrs. Robert Black and children, Joe David, Larry and Julia from Quanah; Calvin Middleton and son Tommy of Canyon; Mr. and Mrs. Willard Middleton and children Don Ed and Jan of Happy; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Middleton and children, Janet and Ronnie of Tulsa. There were only two members of the family who were unable to attend and those were Bob Black and M. P. Whitney.

MRS. EARL DAVIS HOSTESS JOWELL CLUB

The Jowell Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Earl J. Davis for its annual Christmas dinner party on December 8.

At noon a delicious turkey dinner was served. Games of 42" and Polyantha were played in the afternoon, and Polyantha gifts were exchanged.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Robinson, Patsy and Jean; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Byrd, Jr.; Mrs. S. G. Elliott and Suzanne; Mr. and Mrs. Elbert C. Robinson; Miss Lou Ella Patterson; Mr. and Mrs. Tom C. Gooch; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bonds; Mr. and Mrs. Louis G. Henders; Mrs. T. J. Bonds; Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Taylor, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Eugene S. Bonds and son; Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Culp; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Green and Richard; Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Barrett; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Henders; Mr. and Mrs. John Robinson; and Mr. and Mrs. Earl J. Davis. The next club meeting will be January 5 at 2 o'clock with Mrs. Louis Henders.

NEWMAN HOME SCENE OF DINNER BRIDGE

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Morris were hosts Tuesday evening, December 14 to the dinner-bridge club in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Newman. The serving table was centered with a miniature Santa Claus and sleigh done in decorative candles on spun glass and flanked by two ornamental Christmas trees. Turkey dinner was served buffet style, and card tables were centered with little angel and choir boy candles. Of special beauty in the decorations, was the lovely holly which decorated the coffee table and buffeta and was sent to Mrs. Newman from her aunt in Oregon.

High score for the evening was won by Jerry Newman and Mrs. Larry Holman.

Following bridge, gifts were distributed from the gayly lighted tree, and carols were sung by the group. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Hosea Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Houston Bright, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Lyons, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Newman, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Holman, Dr. and Mrs. R. P. Jarrett, and the host and hostess.

YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE CHRISTMAS PARTY MONDAY

A Christmas party for all the young people of the Assembly of God Church was held Monday night December 20 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Crowley. There were 24 young people present.

Games were played and refreshments of sandwiches, punch, cookies, homemade candy. Gifts were exchanged, and the group made a recording of the hymn "Silent Night."

Those present were J. H. and Velma Mariner, Mrs. W. J. Phelps, Archie and Carletta; Loraine and Edwin Davidson, Jack and Marjorie and Janie Mulkey; Earl Gene and Mary Mae Peppard; Evelyn Ridley; J. C. Frisby; Leola Panter; Gwyn Alston; Joyce Holland; Glenneta Johnson; Lois Piehl; Bob Goodwin; Joe Grady and Joyce Crowley and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Crowley.

Good to the last pot. Stevens Floral.

To the last minute shoppers: My flowers are like Maxwell House:

You can't stop on an icy dime.

SOCIAL PIONEERS MET**MRS. EDD HAMRELL HOME**

The Social Pioneers met for their annual Christmas party on December 16, at the home of Mrs. Edd Harrell. Mrs. R. E. Foster had charge of the program, which was opened with the group singing Christmas carols, followed by a report from the last meeting given by Mrs. Simms. Miss Columbia Redfearn read a letter to Santa by a grown-up child. Gifts were exchanged by 33 members.

Refreshments of cookies, candy, coffee and punch were served by the hostess. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Croson the last Thursday in January, 1949.

Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Hill will spend Christmas Eve and Christmas Day in Berger with their daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Lemore Hill, who will return to Canyon with them the day after Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hill, who are moving from Pacific Palisades, Calif. to Columbus, Ohio, are expected to be here at the parental J. A. Hill home the day after Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Williams of Rockwall, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Williams of Commerce are visiting during Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Hershey Williams.

Major and Mrs. Ogden Stroud and Jeb from Topeka, Kansas, will spend the holidays in Canyon visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stroud, and in Miami visiting with Mrs. Stroud's family, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Gill.

Mr. and Mrs. Durwood Brown and Randy spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Post visiting with Mrs. Brown's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hutchison from Blythe, Calif. are visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hutchison.

ART CLASS ENTERTAINED AT IVERSON HOME

Nina Iverson entertained the members of her art class with a Christmas party at her home last Friday afternoon. Christmas decorations and a Christmas tree were featured in the entertaining room, and a number of games were enjoyed by the group. Christmas carols were sung by the group accompanied at the piano by Royce Gum, and gifts were exchanged from the Christmas tree.

Refreshments were served to Betty Burrus, La Nelle and Royce Gum, Lucy Hollabaugh, Jimmie Reed, Wilford Taylor, Doris Bourn, Gladys Leseberg, Joe Winstead, and the hostess, Nina Iverson.

BUSINESS WOMEN'S CLUB HAS CHRISTMAS DINNER

A Christmas turkey dinner at the college cafeteria on Wednesday evening, December 15, marked the annual Christmas party of the Business Women's Bridge Club.

Following the dinner, the group went to the home of Mrs. Tommie Pierce for bridge and the exchange of gifts. Coffee was served and the group sang Christmas carols. Members present were Mrs. K. E. Frieze, Dr. Leta Boswell, Mrs. Paul Rogers, Mrs. M. D. Shepherd, Mrs. Clay Cooper, Mrs. Faye Canadey, Mrs. Charles Flesher, Mrs. Joe Baber, Mrs. Guy Tabor, Mrs. W. O. Parker, Mrs. N. E. McIntire, Miss Lou Ella Patterson, Mrs. R. E. Ball, Mrs. T. E. Beard, Mrs. Carl Simms, Mrs. Felix Pierce and Mrs. Bob Parsons.

National Guard Unit Receives Commendation

Company E of the 142nd Infantry Regiment, which comprises the National Guard unit here, has received high praise in a commendation from Major General H. Miller Almsworth from headquarters of the 36th Inf. Division in Austin.

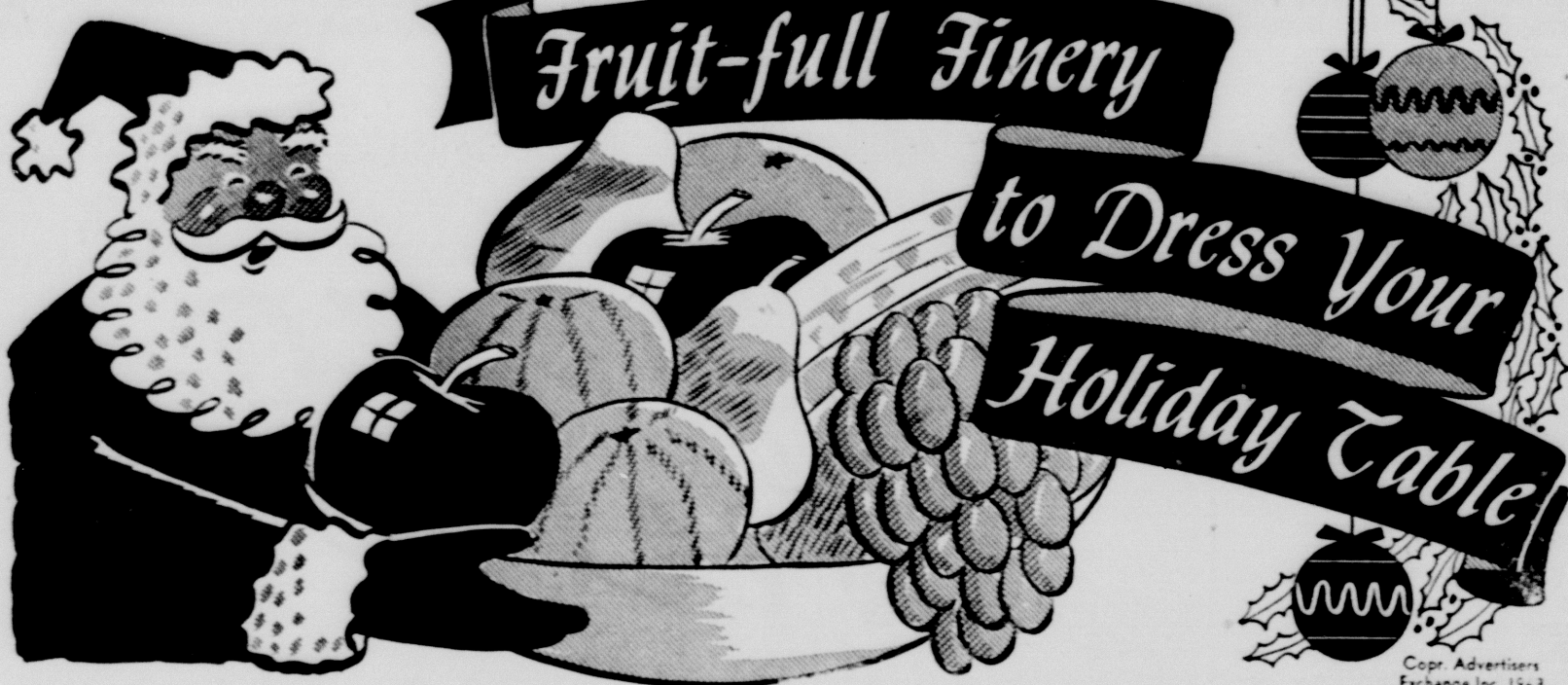
The commendation states that the "exemplary training, superior leadership, and high morale of Company E, 142nd Infantry Regiment has recently been brought to my attention, and is with great pride and pleasure that I commend the officers and men of this outstanding organization for this high degree of efficiency and for the constant progress which has been maintained.—Congratulations upon your splendid performance of duty."

Upon entering a room in a Washington hotel, a woman recognized a well-known Government official pacing up and down and asked what he was doing there. "I am going to deliver a speech," he said.

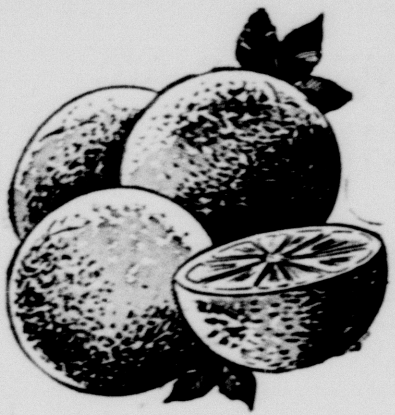
"Do you usually get very nervous before addressing a large audience?" "Nervous?" he replied. "No, I never get nervous."

"In that case," demanded the lady, "what are you doing in the Ladies' Room?"

Better Wait Than Never.



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Fancy Central America bananas & other fancy fruits and vegetables for your Christmas table.

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MINCE MEAT . 2 pkgs. . 35¢

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DATES, Pitted . . . pkg. . . 25¢

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Plenty of Hams and Hens for that CHRISTMAS DINNER

Longhorn

CHEESE . . . lb. . . 53¢

SAUSAGE, Pure Pork . . lb. . . 39¢

Meaty

HAM SHANKS . . . lb. . . 39¢

STEAK, Fancy Beef . . lb. . . 65¢

PORK CHOPS, Center Cuts . lb. . 59¢

OYSTERS, Fresh . . . pt. . . 89¢

BACON SQUARES, Wilson's lb. 45¢

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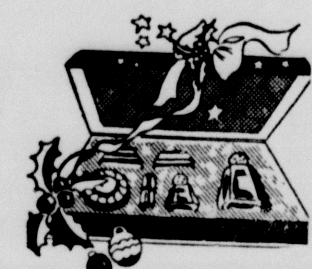
Fine Foods

PHONE 213

FREE DELIVERY



There are just 2 shopping days left till Christmas. But don't let that panic you into making unwise selections. You can choose wisely . . . shop leisurely . . . at CANYON DRUG where you'll find scores of bright ideas for last minute gifts—perfectly practical and practically perfect gifts for everybody left on your list. Yes indeed—shopping here will make light of your plight before Christmas.



Christmas Tree Lights

Series of 8

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Waffle Iron

\$14.98

Cosmetic Sets
\$2.00 to \$25.00

TASTY TOASTED
SANDWICHES

PANGBURN'S
Better
CANDIES

Add 20% Federal excise tax to Cosmetics, Jewelry.

CANYON DRUG

THE FRIENDLY STORE

PHONE 174 NO. SIDE OF SQUARE

Mrs. Briggs Is Winner Again For Decorations

Mrs. Cecil Briggs was winner of first place in the Christmas home decorations contest again this year. Mrs. Briggs won first place last year. Second place was won by Mrs. L. S. Johnston, with third place going to Mrs. Gene Morrison.

Four out-of-town judges studied the various decorations and congratulated the citizens of Canyon for their interest in the contest. Two of the judges were from Arkansas and two came from the Amarillo high school to do the judging.

Among the fourteen entries, high praise was given by the judges to several, and in reaching their decision a second trip was made to some of the homes.

Cash prizes were made by the Chamber of Commerce for the first three places in the contest.

A. B. Holt, secretary, states that the highest praise was paid by the judges to the citizens of Canyon.

Airport Receives CAA Approval

West Texas State's recently acquired airport has received full Civil Aeronautics approval as a flying school.

The school, under the direction of Ted Reid, now owns three airplanes for private and commercial training. Jack Nesbitt of Fort Worth, a former military, private and commercial pilot, is the head instructor. He holds four licenses and has an A and E mechanics rating.

Fourteen students are currently taking the flight instructions offered.

Used in the school are an Aeronca Champion, two-place tandem ship; an Aeronca Chief, new side by side two-place trainer and a Bellanca Crusair, four-place plane used for commercial and instrument training.

Manager of the college airport is George Webb.

The field is large enough to accommodate large planes and does a volume of cross-country business. A new floor has recently been laid in the main hangar.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Holland, Jr. from Perryton are visiting this week in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Truax.

Ease-up when there's a freeze-up.

WT Speech Conference Rated High By Visiting Students, Teachers

"The Speech Festival and Conference held last Saturday was the largest and most successful undertaking of its kind ever attempted in West Texas," disclosed Crannell Tolliver, head of the Speech Department.

"The entire program flowed smoothly and the usual rush of a large program was completely absent," continued Mr. Tolliver. There were over three hundred students and teachers of speech from more than twenty high schools of the plains area, New Mexico and Oklahoma.

Stork Specials

Mr. and Mrs. David Frost are the parents of a boy born on December 15.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Patton on December 17.

A son was born on December 18 to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sanders.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Jennings are the parents of a son born on December 19.

Hospital News

F. B. Fields, surgical
Mrs. Glen Costley, surgical
Mrs. J. W. Flores, surgical
Miss Bobbie Graham, medical
Weldon Basinger, medical
Mrs. Hosea Foster, medical
Mrs. Elsie Money, medical
Mary Ruth Backus, medical

GIRL SCOUTS ENTERTAIN MOTHERS TUESDAY

Troop 1 of the Girl Scouts entertained their mothers Tuesday afternoon at their regular meeting place in the home of Mrs. Glenn Truax, troop leader.

The girls sang carols and listened to Christmas music. After refreshments were served to the mothers by the girls, they gathered around the Christmas tree and gifts were exchanged.

The girls have completed five projects this fall in 2nd Class scouting. Members of the group are Manice Wright, Jeannine Thomas, Joan Gressett, June Gressett, Nancy Tomlinson, Glendolyn Newberry, Lu Ellen Richardson, Charlotte Crain, Kathleen Truax, and Virginia Leake.

To the last minute shoppers: My flowers are like Maxwell House: Good to the last pot. Stevens Floral.

Look Up—Look Down—Look Out!

The discussion by Dr. Ernest Rolston of the State Health Department of the counseling of students handicapped in speech and hearing was heard by a large group of teachers and administrators. Dr. Rolston demonstrated the use of the audiometer for testing hearing and discussed its value in determining the extent to which a student is handicapped.

Students from several high schools entered the radio announcing event, and their efforts were heard over Station KAMQ at 10:30 a. m. The contestants displayed a keen interest in the broadcast, the first time on the air for most.

Loren Hightower, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hightower, will leave January 5 for New York where he will attend the School of Ballet Repertory.

Of the saviors of mankind there is no end. Here in a newspaper are articles with full directions for stopping inflation, athlete's foot and Russia.

Lieut. Gen. James A. Van Fleet, U.S. Army officer advising the Greek Government forces, is credited with maneuvering the Greek guerrillas near to defeat.

FOR SALE: Fryers. Phone 210J. Mrs. Jim Johnson. 1p

FOR SALE: Baby grand piano and solovox. Kimball Console. Office Desk. Typewriter. Office desk chair. Shaw-Walker fireproof filing cabinet. White veneer bedroom suite. Includes hassock. Magic Chef range, natural gas. Spin dryer. M. W. Ironer. Living room suite. Philco radio and phonograph. All practically new. Phone 592J, Hereford or write Mrs. Edna R. Jett, 3400 Hayden, Amarillo. 1p

Canyon Steam Laundry for complete Laundry. Phone 585. 32tf

FOR SALE: Maytag washing machine and tubs. Will trade for any kind of stock or chickens. B. L. Howard, Rt. 1, Box 521M9, Amarillo. 43tf

FOR SALE: New Hampshire red fryers. \$1.25 each. 2810 6th Ave. Joe Talley. 1p

3-ROOM completely furnished home in west part. On pavement and immediate possession. Has G. I. 4% loan. A. B. DUNCAN 1p

FOR SALE: Second hand refrigerator. Wirt Electric. 43tf

FOR SALE: 5 room house and lot. Located in Happy, \$5,000. Joe B. Lange, Box 381, Happy, Texas. 42p2

GOOD 661 ACRES, 3 irrigation wells; 7 miles S. E. of Hereford; well improved can buy farming implements; priced below market. White & Whitehead, 411 W. 10th St. Amarillo. 43tf

FOR SALE: 9-room home, choice location. See T. S. Stevenson. 38tf

FOR SALE: Oil circulator heater. \$25.00. Mrs. C. S. Williams, 112 N. Eighth St. 42p2

FOR SALE 1949 Ford custom, has all accessories. Phone 352J after 6 p. m. 41tf

FOR SALE: 30 choice weaner pigs. 3 miles N. W. Canyon. Phone 9019P5. Charles Gerald. 42p2

WANTED: Experienced combination wool and silk presser, man or woman. A-1 Cleaners. Phone 611 42tf

FOR SALE: New and used Maytags. We service any make washing machine. Call 405 for a quick overhaul job. Cunningham Maytag Appliance. 1tf

LOST: Brown billfold Saturday, Dec. 18. Return to Warwick's. 1p

WANTED: Wheat pasture for 51 head cows. Contact Austin Rose, 509E 11th, Hereford. Phone 684W. 43p3

RENT BY MONTH: 23 acre stalk field. J. W. McCrery place, 4 blocks south court house, Canyon. Good wind breaks, water. Run 20 cows about 30 days. Sell few bundles, cheap. H. C. Long or J. W. McCrery. 1p

FOR RENT: Housekeeping and bed rooms. Phone 412J. 1p

APARTMENT FOR RENT after Jan. 1. Phone 313. 1t

EX-SOLDIER would buy land, 640 acres, more or less, if price and terms are attractive enough. What have you. Box 542, Canyon, Texas. 43p2

STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of the First National Bank in Canyon that the annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held at its offices on the second Tuesday of January, 1949, the same being the 11th day of January, 1949, at 3:30 p.m. for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and considering other business which may come before the stockholders.

W. C. BLACK,
4115 Vice President and Cashier.

WANTED TO BUY: Good used rotary hoe. Alfred Bellah. 40tf

SEWING MACHINE repair and sales. Old machines converted into electric portables and console models. All work unconditionally guaranteed. Phone 536J. 1900 Second Ave. Oscar Hinger. 22tf

FOR RENT: Apartment at Restwell Courts. Phone 200. 36tf

AMARILLO NEWS: New subscribers and renewals may now secure the Amarillo News at \$10.95 per year; or \$12.45 for both the Canyon News and Amarillo News. For two years both papers are \$22.95. Send your subscriptions at once to the Canyon News for these low bargain rates. tf

STAR TELEGRAM: Everyone can now get the Ft. Worth Star Telegram, new or renewals. The Canyon News and Star Telegram, both one year for \$15.45. This offer may be withdrawn without notice. tf

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No. 730 A. F. & A. M.

Regular Meetings—7:30 p. m.
2nd and 4th Thursdays

WANTED

USED CARS!

Highest Cash Prices Paid.

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We join with all your other friends of this community to extend to you a very sincere wish that this Yuletide season may enrich your life with its spirit of friendliness and beauty.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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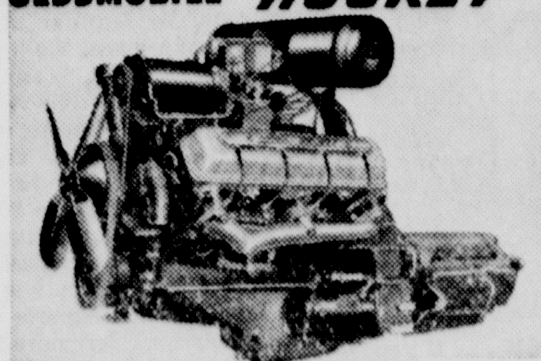
Here they come —

THE NEW FUTURAMICS!



White sidewall tires optional at extra cost. Hydra-Matic Drive standard equipment on Series "98," optional at extra cost on "76."

OLDSMOBILE "ROCKET"



HERE IT IS! Oldsmobile's new "Rocket" Engine, which offers all these features: Rigid-Block Valve-in-Head Construction; Dual Down-Draft Carburetion; Five-Bearing Precision-Balanced Crankshaft; Hydraulic Valve Lifters; Short Sturdy Camshaft; Steel-Reinforced Alloy Pistons.

Oldsmobile rolls forward into '49—with an All-Futuramic line—a new "76," a new "98," and a revolutionary new "Rocket" Engine

They're here! They're new! They're both Futuramic! Two sparkling new Oldsmobiles . . . rolling forward into '49. Upper left, the Futuramic "76" . . . with Fisher's newest body, panoramic vision, plus a remarkable new "Big Six" Engine. And out in front, a newly styled Futuramic "98" . . . with that revolutionary new "ROCKET" Engine you've heard so much about. It's a completely new, high-com-

pression, valve-in-head eight that actually gives you more power on less gasoline! Combined with GM Hydra-Matic Drive, the "Rocket's" performance is so smooth, silent, and spirited, you've got to try it to believe it! Your Oldsmobile dealer invites you to inspect the new Futuramics—examine the new "Rocket" Engine—and experience "The New Thrill!"

FUTURAMIC

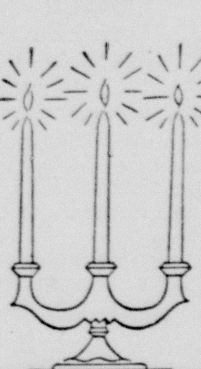
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CHRISTMAS JOY

1948



We sing out
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**HAPPY
HOLIDAY!**

La Duchess Shoppe



Have Tree Base Stand In Water

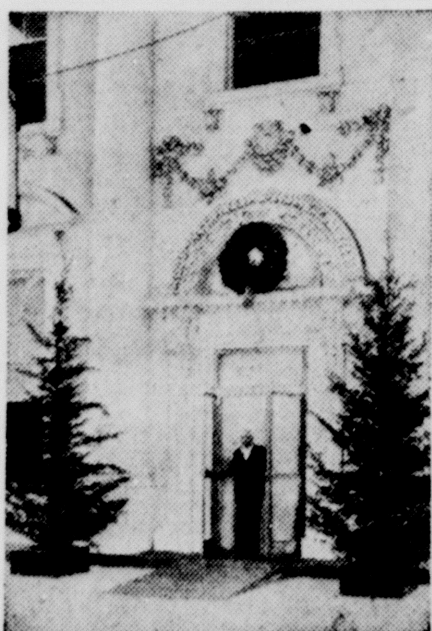
Christmas trees, like flowers, will respond to being kept with the base in the water. Here are two simple things to do if you want your tree to stay green and fresh.

Buy a tree which has been cut as recently as possible. Cut off the end of the trunk diagonally, at least one inch above the original cut. This will expose a moist surface which will absorb water. Stand the trunk of the tree in water at once, and, if it is not to be taken into the house for several days, keep it in a cool place.

December Dates

There aren't very many famous birthdays during December—too near Christmas! However, a few of history's prominent people were born in December and here they are:

- Dec. 8, Eli Whitney, inventor of the cotton gin.
- Dec. 16, Ludwig von Beethoven.
- Dec. 17, John Greenleaf Whittier.
- Dec. 24, Christopher (Kit) Carson.
- Dec. 27, Louis Pasteur.
- Dec. 28, Woodrow Wilson.
- Dec. 31, Rudyard Kipling.



WHITE HOUSE DOOR . . . If you were having Christmas dinner at the White House this is what you'd see as you approached it.

England has two towns with Christmas names. Christmas Pie is a small village near Guildford, Surrey, while Christmas Common is near Oxford and Henley.

Cannon Fire Hails Christmas in Rome

A cannon fired from the historic Castle of San Angelo at sunset on Christmas Eve proclaims the beginning of the Holy Season in Rome. By nine o'clock everyone is in church to witness the colorful and solemn processions of ecclesiastic dignitaries which precede the elaborate midnight Mass.

Since everyone has fasted for twenty-four hours, festive banquets are in order after the religious solemnities. It is a gala after-midnight in Rome: hotels and restaurants remain open, families and friends gather around sumptuous tables in gaily decorated homes; and in anticipation of the festivities, many people attend church dressed in formal attire.

Between Christmas and Epiphany, the Calabrian shepherds—Pifferani—revisit the homes where they were most cordially welcomed during Advent when they came down from the hills to play their Italian bagpipes before the shrines of the Virgin. The Pifferani play for their Advent hosts during the post-Christmas holidays and receive gifts of wine, dried figs, and small sums of money from their hosts.

Nut-Bowl Filled From Many Lands

Nuts from all over the world go into your nut-bowl at Christmas. Like Christmas traditions, the nuts so popular at this time of year are a mixture of many varieties and different histories.

The English walnut, for instance, is not English at all. It originated in Asia centuries ago and was called "the food of the gods."

The round little filbert and the almond came from the Old World. Other nuts, so familiar at Christmas, the hickory nut, the black walnut and the chestnut, to say nothing of the pecan, are strictly American. The pecan is native to America and is found nowhere else. Two other American nuts worthy of mention are the chestnut and the butternut.

Although many nuts originated in other parts of the world, almost every variety known is now grown on American soil and experts are constantly searching for more kinds of nuts to transplant to this country.

The keeping of Christmas or saint's days, and the making of mince pies were illegal in the early Massachusetts and New Haven colonies. The strict religion of the Puritans banned observance of holy days.

News In Canyon 25 Years Ago

(Taken from the files of the Randall County News of December 27, 1923)

R. W. O'Keefe of Plainview sold his interest in the Canyon Supply Co. and Thompson Hardware Co. to Dr. J. M. Black of Canyon.

Elmer Shotwell's Abilene high school team won the Texas school boy championship.

J. W. Kleinschmidt has started to build a new service station just east of the Sternberg Lumber Co.

Daughters were born to Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Hollabaugh: Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Fox; Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Hays.

The year old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wise died at Silverton and the body was returned here for interment in Dreamland Cemetery.

"A large number of Canyon football fans went to Amarillo Friday to hear the football returns of the Abilene-Waco game as they were announced play by play."

W. H. Bridges of Fort Worth and Miss Emma Key were married at the parental J. D. Key home.

Russia is willing to end the cold war. All she wants is peace on earth, good will toward Communist expansion.

FLY IN THE OINTMENT

Harry D. Arrast tells about Charlie Chaplin's battle with a fly that kept buzzing around him during a picture conference. After slapping at it several times, Charlie became exasperated and called for a swatter. As the discussion continued, he sat with the swatter poised and a menacing eye on the elusive fly. Three times he swung at it; three times he missed. At last the fly settled on a table directly in front of him, and Charlie tensed for the kill. Slowly, cautiously, he raised the swatter. But just as he was ready to deliver the death blow, he deliberately lowered his weapon and allowed the fly to escape.

"For heaven's sake!" someone blurted out. "Why didn't you swat it?"

Charlie shrugged—"It wasn't the same fly."

A cousin of mine called my mother the other day on our northern Missouri rural phone. The usual click of receivers could be heard as the listening audience gathered. But shortly there was the unmistakable thump of one receiver being placed back on the hook.


"How do you like that!" my cousin snapped into the mouthpiece. "Somebody hung up on us."

Help Keep Canyon Clean!

Home Town News



"Tell the whole family that JOHNSON'S ELECTRONIC REPAIR sends a joyous Christmas wish to all of you."

'48 Christmas Joy!

Just a line to express our true regard and friendship for you on this Day.

Jenning's
MEN'S WEAR



Wishing you the merriest Christmas possible.

That means you,
you ... and you!

HARDEN & HEATH

Real Estate and Insurance



"Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound."



May the joyful
gentle leave a bag
full of all good things
for you this happy
holiday season.

CARL'S CAFE

Where Friends Meet to Eat



Christmas Cheer

As Christmas approaches, ties of friendship grow stronger and we open our storehouse of memories. We like to remember our friends at this time with a MERRY CHRISTMAS greeting and a word of thanks for their kindness.

Randall Motor Co.

Invest Your Printing Money in Canyon

Red and
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Food Store

BUFFALO FOOD STORE

Phone 1 or 2
Prompt Free
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Specials Good Wednesday Afternoon, Thursday and Friday. Closed Christmas Day.

—WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO LIMIT QUANTITIES

Wishing You a Merry Christmas

Extra Large Fancy CELERY	19c
Extra Nice Large Heads LETTUCE	12c
Large Size ORANGES	27c
Winesap APPLES	10c
10 lb. mesh bag POTATOES	43c
Fancy bunches CARROTS	6c

Cranberry Sauce, R&W, 2 for 35c

46 oz. Red and White TOMATO JUICE	can	23c
R&W All Green ASPARAGUS, Tips	can	49c
Folgers COFFEE	lb.	49c
Red and White FRUIT COCKTAIL	2 1/2 can	37c
46 oz. Adams ORANGE JUICE	can	23c
No. 2 Del Monte PINEAPPLE JUICE	2 for	35c
2 1/2 R&W PEARS	can	49c
R&W Extra OLIVES, Large Ripe	tall can	35c

TURKEYS, HENS AND FRYERS

Fresh Dressed HENS	lb.	59c
Fed Baby Beef ROAST	lb.	49c
SAUSAGE, Pure Pork	lb.	38c
Christmas Hams, half or whole HAMS	lb.	59c
BACON, Cudahy's Sliced	lb.	49c
Ground Beef, Fresh Lean	lb.	45c
Christmas Candies, Nuts, Apples, Cranberries, Oranges, Marshmallows, Walking Candy Canes, Mince Meat, Pumpkin, Cherries, and many other goodies.		

Superintendent Public Schools Spoke at Rotary

Supt. E. A. Wooten of the Canyon public schools spoke Tuesday at the Canyon Rotary Club luncheon on the Gilmer-Aiken report on public education.

Mr. Wooten was introduced by Jim Russell, who was in charge of the program.

The Gilmer-Aiken committee was authorized by the legislature and the 18 members have been making a study of school problems for the past 18 months. It is a gigantic task to rewrite all of the school laws of Texas which will be necessary in order to bring forth adequate legislation.

Not all of the findings have been

given to the public, but information is being given out for study. The committee recommended five different steps.

1. Minimum foundation for all children. The committee recommended a teacher load of 25 children, but most schools in the state exceed this number. These teachers should have close supervision by a qualified teacher. The need of an adequately trained librarian, and the addition of vocational courses are in this recommendation.

2. Combined local and state finances. Local taxpayers are now paying 50% or more of the taxes of the schools. It is proposed that the state increase its investment in schools from 100 million to 180 million dollars annually, and that the local districts be called upon to raise only 25% of this amount.

3. Improve local administrative units through consolidation of districts and elimination of county school superintendents.

4. Consolidate state management of schools. Texas now has a State Board of Education and a State Education Department. These are separate and do not cooperate. It is proposed that a nine member state board replace both of these boards, the members to be elected from districts, and this board would select the administrative head.

5. Steady improvement of teachers. This is the greatest need of the schools, to find qualified teachers. This problem carries with it the need of higher salaries as well as teacher training.

There will be no meeting of the club next Tuesday because of the Christmas holidays.

Visitors were T. D. Britt of De Queen, Ark.; Miss Sue Brown, J. F. Brown, K. C. Bell, L. V. Dorsch, W. Johnson, Forrest Barnes, A. Attebury, E. C. Wagner, M. K. Watson, Jim McKnight, all of Amarillo.

Visitors one day last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Prater were Mrs. Bill Prince and Sonny, Mrs. Flake Thurmon and son Trent, and Miss Zonell Gregg of Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Newman and son are spending the Christmas holidays in Arthur City, visiting Mrs. Newman's parents.

Palo Duro News

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Stroup, Glenns Pay, Curtis, and Gaylord, ate supper and visited with Mr. and Mrs. Orville Gray and children last Friday night.

Wren Vandergriff and children, Bobby and Patsy, visited in the B. A. Stroup home Sunday afternoon.

Bonnie Fuqua spent the week-end with Pay and Rita Gunter.

Malcolm Gunter is home for the Christmas holidays. He is stationed at Corpus Christi.

Merry Christmas Everyone!

The Graham family had their annual Christmas dinner last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Graham, south of Canyon. Present at the dinner were Will Graham, Clarence Graham, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Graham and family all of Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Graham and family of Silverton; Mr. and Mrs. George Abbott of Dimmitt; Opal Cross and Lella Graham of Amarillo.

Guests for the Christmas week end in the home of Mr. H. S. Strain will be Mr. and Mrs. William Strain and family of El Paso, Mr. and Mrs. C. Petrock and baby of Cheyenne, Wyoming, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Thomas, Jr., and family of Perryton, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Stough and family from San Diego, California, and Miss Nannie Andrews of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Davis of Hereford, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Cupell, Velma, Wilma and Benny Joe, will spend the Christmas week end in the home of the Cupells' daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Q. L. Chapman and family in Shamrock.

Mrs. Spurgeon McDougal, Neva and Barbara are spending the holidays in McKinney visiting in the home of Mrs. McDougal's daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Joutette.

Lewis Reed of El Dorado, Arkansas spent last week end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Prater and visiting with his wife and children. They will be guests at the Prater home for Christmas.

Mrs. Nancy McCasland will spend the Christmas holidays in Waco visiting her daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Morrow and young son. She left Tuesday evening.

Bradford Black, who is attending Baylor Dental College in Dallas, is at home spending Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Black.

Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Thompson and daughters from Mangum, Oklahoma, will spend the Christmas holidays here with Mr. and Mrs. Russell Thompson.

Ticklers



"OUCH!"

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Farlow and Mrs. Jack Walker visited in Fort Worth and Dallas last week-end, visiting Mrs. Walker remained in Dallas until Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Knighton are spending Christmas in Corpus Christi visiting Mrs. Knighton's family.

Be Wise — Beware!

GAS HEATERS

Electric Heaters

Furnaces

Gas Stoves

General Plumbing Repairs

JOE BLACK

901 4th Ave.

By George

Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Tippery and Sallie Kay of Wellington, Kansas are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McAtee, during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Elkins and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Adams of Sunray visited for four days the past week in Pueblo, Colorado.

Mrs. Amelia Warren and Jo Beth will spend Christmas in Friona with Mrs. Warren's daughter, Mrs. John A. Morris.

Mrs. Ardis Stamper and Mrs. P. E. Consovo will spend Christmas holidays in Oklahoma City, Okla. and in Tulsa, Okla.

I should like to spend the whole of my life traveling, if I could anywhere borrow another life to spend at home.—William Hazlitt.

Mother, seated at dressing table, to little girl: "Tell your father I've hardly begun to keep him waiting."

Bad driving, not bad luck, causes accidents.

No Guesses — No Messes.

W. T. Fights Monday Drew a Large Crowd

Monday was fight night at West Texas State.

More than 1200 fight fans from over the Panhandle crowded into Burton gym to witness this affair.

Fourteen fights were put on during the evening, with West Texas State boys taking the leading role among the boxing.

Boxing will be a major sport among the students in the future, according to the athletic department.

To the last minute shoppers: My flowers are like Maxwell House: Good to the last pot. Stevens Floral.

If you stop to think you will think to stop.

MERRY CHRISTMAS OLYMPIC

Thursday — Friday

MARIA MONTEZ
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—in—

"PIRATES OF
MONTEREY"

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Buffaloes Take Two More Games at Local Gym from Tempe and North Texas--Will Meet Marshall Here

The Buffalo basketball team annexed two more games this week.

Arizona State of Tempe was defeated in a Border Conference tilt Thursday night by a score of 63-44. This gave the Buffs victories over three leading contenders of the Border Conference, but only two of these games were considered in the title race. New Mexico State has been defeated at Tucumcari in a non-conference game, but the game won from Flagstaff was a conference win.

The Buffs met and defeated North Texas State of Denton Friday night in the roughest game ever played at Burton Gym. The score was 66 to 52 in favor of the home team. 76 fouls were called against the two teams, with nine players going out by this route.

Fast breaking set the tempo of play from the opening whistle. Buff mentor Gus Miller started his "short" five, who didn't get to play

much against Arizona State Thursday night.

Naturally a fast break crew, the little boys started right out matching the Eagles, who had beaten the TCU Horned Frogs, point for point. North Texas' fast court play and sharp passing put them ahead after nine minutes of the first half. The score had been knotted three times until Ed Kelly, lanky Eagle guard started a rally to send North Texas ahead 23-16 as WT called time out to consider the situation.

The rest period seemed to work, too, for when play resumed, Buff guard Don Woods bucketed a field goal and Bill Allen meshed three quick free shots to start the fireworks. Before the half ended, WT had counted for 21 points, holding the hapless Eagles to 5.

Excessive fouling and questionable officiating slowed the game considerably. North Texas brought only ten men to the battle and af-

ter five of them had fouled out, the others had to be rather cautious about mixing it with the Buffaloes for a free ball or a rebound.

The Eagles did control the backboards rather thoroughly, though, until tall Glenn Braden entered the game mid-way in the second half. By that time, the Eagles' top center, Sam Bell, had fouled out.

The second half was almost a repetition of the first, with the exception that North Texas had to try more set offensive maneuvers, rather than use their customary fast break style.

Testimony as to the roughness of the contest is the number of points NT garnered at the charity line. The Eagles chunked 24 gratis shots, only four points less than half of their total score.

It didn't help the Eagles much, though. The Hustlin' Buffs hit an equal number of free pitches besides their 21 field shots.

Bill Allen was the sparkplug for WT. He swarmed all over the court to pour 16 points through the mesh for high score honors. W. J. Malone accounted for 12 of his team's points and Don Woods 11 more.

For North Texas, big Ed Kelly fired four goals and the same number of free shots for 12 points to lead his team in the scoring column.

Next engagement for West Texas is a December 23 date with Marshall

College, to be played at Canyon in Burton Gym. To date, the Buffs have won five contests, dropping only one game, that to the world championship Phillips 66'ers.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation for the many kindnesses that were done for us during the illness and death of our husband and father. The memory of the expressions of his friendliness and courage that have been made by his many friends will remain a bright light throughout our lives. We lack words to thank all who called, visited and sent flowers and food during this period. Mrs. George W. Hodges and family.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for the many kindnesses shown us during the illness and death of our young son and grandson, while he was in the clinic at Plainview. Words cannot express our appreciation for all the many beautiful flowers that were sent, and the many expressions of sympathy offered. Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Westfall, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Westfall and family, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bonds and family.

Every Christmas contract must have a Santa Clause.

Board of Control Recommends Money for WTSC

If the state Legislature approves the recommendation of the State Board of Control, West Texas State College will get an increase of \$196,492 in appropriated operating funds for the next two fiscal years.

According to an Associated Press dispatch from Austin Saturday, West Texas State has a current appropriation of \$1,082,158 which the board of control would hike to \$1,278,650.

The recommendations include increases for every state institution of higher learning excepting Texas State College for Women at Denton. Among the amounts listed was an increase of \$131,730 for Texas Tech at Lubbock.

As usual, the University of Texas topped all others in total amount, more than 27 million dollars being recommended for the main university and all of its branches.

The largest increase recommended was one of more than four mil-

lion dollars for the Texas State University for Negroes. The current appropriation for this school is \$1,050,000 dollars as compared to \$5,714,500 recommended by the board.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Pinckert, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Pinckert and boys, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pinckert and family all of Hereford and Mrs. Pearl Pinckert of Slaton will spend Christmas Day here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Tay-

lor, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Pinckert are Mrs. Taylor's parents.

Mrs. T. E. Beard will spend Christmas holidays in Cheyenne, Wyoming with her husband, who has recently accepted employment at the Army Airfield at Cheyenne.

C. L. Sone left Monday by plane for Fort Worth to spend Christmas at the home of his son, Dr. Law Sone, president of Texas Wesleyan College.



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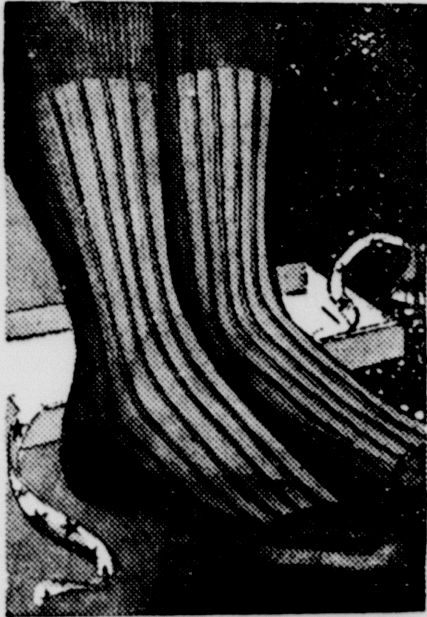
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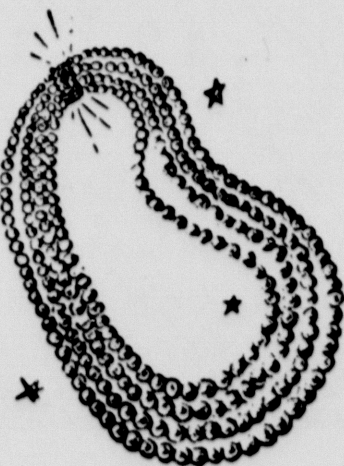
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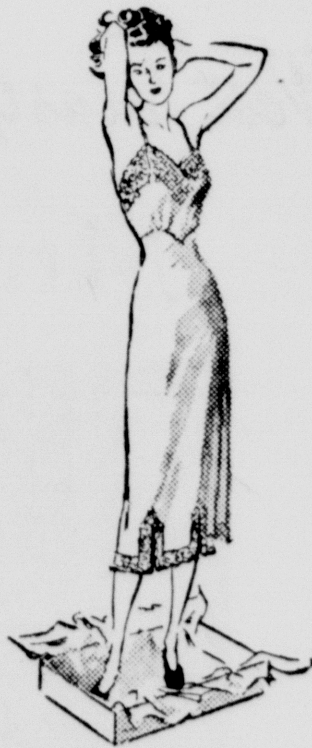
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"Twas the night after Christmas
And all through the flat
Not a creature could help but
Admire his new hat..."



MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

WARREN'S

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

Dr. Dufлот To Study at John Sealy Hospital

Dr. Leo S. M. Dufлот, who has been associated here with Dr. R. P. Jarrett for the past two years, will leave the first of the year for the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston. He will be at the Medical Branch as resident in the Department of Anesthesiology, in the John Sealy Hospital in Galveston. Anesthesiology is a highly specialized field and there are relatively few physicians in the field

today, as it is a comparatively new field for specialization. Dr. Dufлот plans to study in Galveston for the next two years.

Dr. Dufлот received his M. D. degree in 1943 from the University of Texas Medical School in Galveston and took his internship at Parkland Hospital in Dallas. He served two years as a medical officer in the Navy, and held the rank of Lieutenant at the time of his discharge in 1946. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Dufлот of Canyon.

John Snyder, Treasury Secretary, is not prepared to give enthusiastic backing to a revived excess-profits tax. The White House is not getting any large amount of support from its tax advisers for a tax on "excess" profits, owing to the problem of determining what is an excessive profit in peace-time.

Greetings
1949

A Cheery
Christmas
Season
To All...



CHEATHAM'S FURNISHINGS

The Employees of
West Texas Gas Company wish you a
Merry Christmas



And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

OUR DEMOCRACY—by Mat

"Hark the Herald Angels Sing"



In schools and churches throughout the land, the story of the Christ child is being retold in words and music... As we listen, our faith in the triumph of life and hope is reaffirmed and—each in our own way—we are once more united in the spiritual accord of the Christmas season—a time of peace and good will.

NEW H. D. CLUB ORGANIZED HERE

A new home Demonstration Club to be known as the Canyon Home Demonstration Club was organized last Wednesday afternoon, December 15 at a meeting in the office of Miss Lou Silla Patterson, County Home Demonstration Agent.

The club will meet the first and third Fridays of each month at 2:30 o'clock. Officers elected were president, Mrs. E. L. Hardaway; vice-president, Mrs. J. L. Newman; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Bill Money; council delegate, Mrs. Tom Newman; reporter, Mrs. Anne Slagle; parliamentarian, Mrs. Grace Cox; yard demonstrator, Mrs. Jack Barnard.

Attending the first meeting of the new club were Mrs. Bill Money, Mrs. Elwood Shero, Mrs. John Hardaway, Mrs. Bob Parsons, Mrs. J. L.

Newman, Mrs. E. L. Hardaway, Mrs. Kenneth Cox, Mrs. Anne Slagle, Mrs. Tom Newton, Mrs. Jack Barnard, Mrs. Jack Parsons.

Mr. and Mrs. Cas Jennings left last Thursday morning for Fresno, California where they will spend Christmas with their daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dunnagan and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Williams and son of Abilene, will spend Christmas in Canyon with Mrs. Williams' mother, Mrs. R. P. Jarrett.

Mrs. Dale Killingsworth, Jimmy Dale and Sherry left Saturday for Randalette, Okla., where they will visit Mr. Killingsworth's family during Christmas holidays. Mr. Killingsworth will join them there on Christmas eve.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen McKenzie and boys left last Friday to spend Christmas in Temple with Mrs. McKenzie's parents.

Larry Erwin of Amarillo is visiting here with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Price.

Leaders of China, U. S. officials make known, will not need to live in poverty even if forced into exile by the developing revolution. Many important families in China continue to possess large numbers of dollars although the country itself is impoverished.

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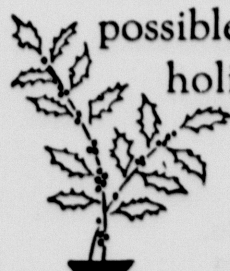


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Perhaps the most typical thing about America at this time is the Christmas tree, for with its holiday garb of tinsel and goodies, its religious significance and spirit of festivity, it mirrors the cultural traditions and customs of the world.



JAPANESE FOLLOW WESTERN CHRISTMAS TREE CUSTOM—The Japanese have adopted the Christmas tree and given it an oriental appearance by decorating its branches with Japanese dolls, woodcuts, small tangerines and rice cookies called "sembei," that hold paper slips of fortunes.



FRENCH CONTRIBUTE GLITTER TO TREE—Sweet as the bonbon she holds is this French lass in her Normandy dress—and frothy as the sugar-ball hanging from its branches is the French tree.

CHRISTMAS TREE ORIGINATED IN GERMANY—An apron full of ginger-bread cookies from a German tree, traditionally decorated with ginger-cakes, nuts, apples, marzipans, and candy-filled cornucopias. Chains and baskets made by hand—from ordinary newspaper when nothing more suitable is available—complete its trimmings. Candles have been used to illuminate it ever since the time of Martin Luther, when the custom of decorating trees at Christmas first began.



MANGER SCENE IN ITALY—An Italian girl attaches an angel to a pine branch above the crib, traditional Italian symbol of Christmas. The custom dates back to 1223 when St. Francis of Assisi arranged the first crib in the chancel of the church at Greccio, Italy, using a simple manger with a doll to represent the Christ Child and adding live animals for reality. The manger has become a recognized symbol of religious significance throughout the Christian world.



FOLK-MOTIFS ON CZECH TREE—Pretty Czech angels lend a touch of heaven to the Czech tree decorated with clusters of gilded nuts, apples, and cookies made to resemble animal figures, peasant girls, stars and village huts. Local folk-motifs are noticeable in the trimmings on the angels' gowns, closely patterned after the braided design on the bodice of the peasant girl's holiday garb.

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CHRISTMAS Gift

By PATRICIA SINCLAIR

AVIS stood inside the spacious hall of the Carron home with her small overnight bag at her feet and greeted the slim girl approaching her. "Merry Christmas, Barbara! Oh-h, it's snowing beautifully outside!" She looked down at the snow on the toes of her small white boots. "I hate to track it in," she said.

"Don't worry about that. I'm so happy you came," Barbara smiled and helped Avis remove her snow-covered garments.

"Oh, I wouldn't have missed coming for all the world," Avis said, and meant it now that she was actually there. Her dark eyes swept the attractive, decorated home, and the inviting fire that roared



Avis laughed, and her eyes glowed as they lifted to meet Steve's.

about huge logs in an immense fireplace in the room beyond.

"I hope you'll enjoy yourself, Avis," Barbara said. "My guests have not all arrived. Would you like to go up to your room first and—"

"Take the shine from my nose! Yes, thanks so much," Avis responded eagerly, knowing that she needed a few repanging touches after the long trip out to the Carron home by bus.

As she ascended the stairs she thought, how right Barbara had been when she told her the other day, after inviting her to her home for the week-end and a Christmas party. "You can't stay in your apartment alone in Christmas. You can't become a recluse just because some hollow pretender another girl to you. You should start all over again."

Barbara was like that. At times Avis couldn't help envying Barbara's cheerful, unshakable attitude toward men. Barbara would never know the sting of loneliness, the bitter yearning for someone who had become the purpose of life itself.

Avis hadn't told Barbara, nor anyone, everything about her acquaintance with Steve Ross. She hadn't even told Barbara his name. There was no point in going into detail and revealing. "I crossed three states just to get away from the sight of him constantly with the new blonde who came to town."

Avis could hear Barbara's response to such a revelation. "His battle was even won by an act of cowardice!"

But Avis wasn't built that way. She had pride, and from observation she'd learned that one-sided marriages never lasted out.

As she ran a comb through her short dark hair she thought of Steve. It had been over a month since she left the little town of Allen Glen. He and Avis were married now of course. They'd spend their first Christmas together.

She even flinched, but she quickly brushed aside the threat of tears and hurried from the room to join Barbara and her guests below. She was glad she'd come. She wouldn't have a chance to think of Steve.

Kira started down the stairs but stopped midway when she saw Steve Ross smiling up at her from the hall below.

He said, "I'm not a ghost, Kira! Merry Christmas, and—well, aren't you glad to see me?" He looked uncertain.

Kira moved down the stairs. "But I didn't know you knew Barbara!"

Steve reached for her hands. "Our date was acquaintance away back," he said. "Was it quite fair for you to skip town, Kira, and not say a word about where you were going?"

"G—I didn't think you'd miss me," Kira stammered.

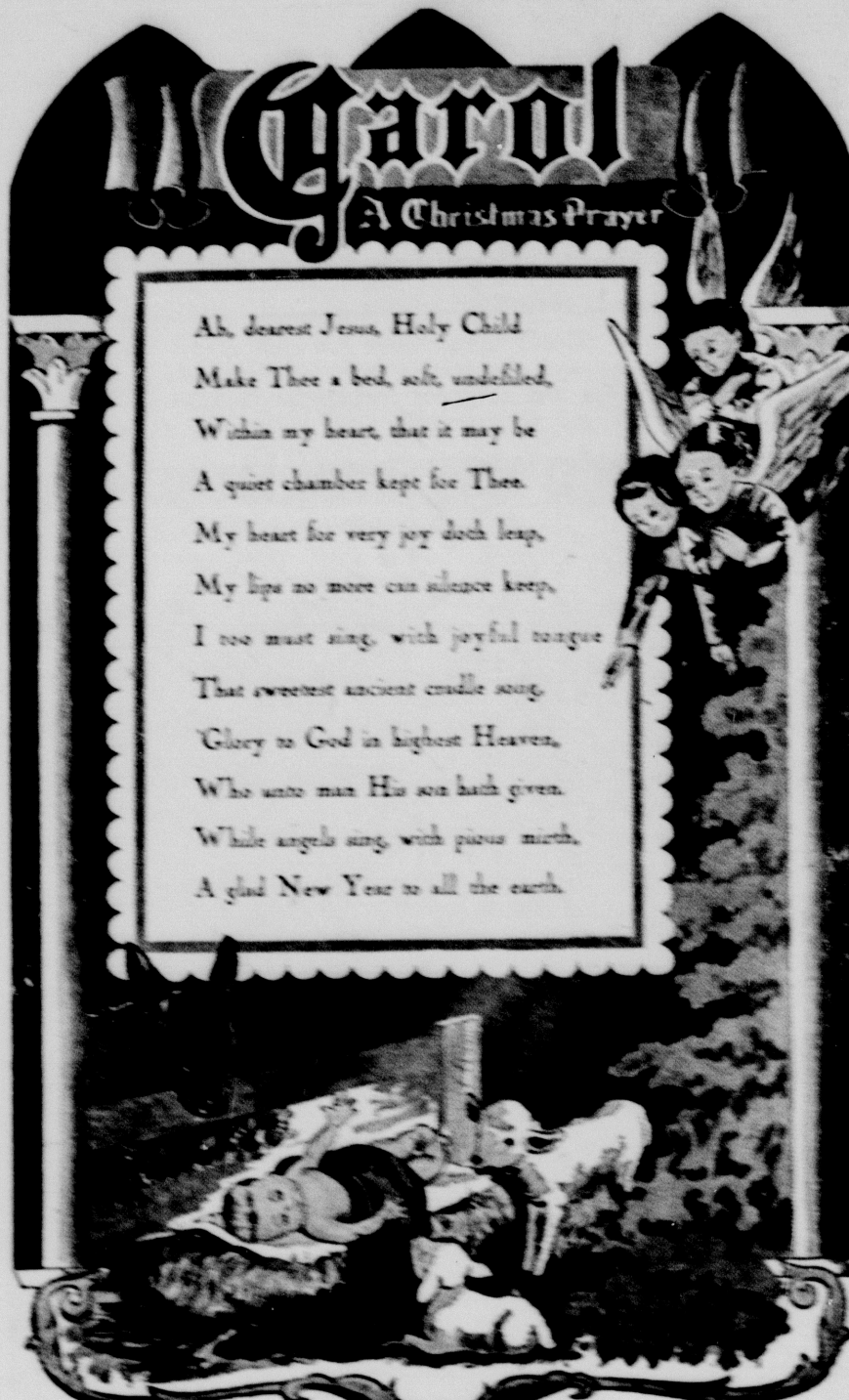
"Miss you?" He crossed her hands. "Kira, what's that old saying about absence making the heart grow fonder?" "Surely, I've had a terrible time tracking you down, and I thought of Barbara."

"Barbara never said a word," Kira said, still amazed.

Steve chuckled. "She's a regular cupid. She told me to come tonight and explain more fully about the run-away girl I was trying to find. Then after I got home she told me to wait in the hall, there'd be a Christmas gift appear on the stairs. I suspected that, of course."

Kira laughed, and her eyes glowed as they lifted to meet Steve's. "Christmas gift indeed!" she said.

It is when the holiday is over that we begin to enjoy it.



Ah, dearest Jesus, Holy Child
Make Thee a bed, soft, undebled,
Within my heart, that it may be
A quiet chamber kept for Thee.
My heart for very joy doth leap,
My lips no more can silence keep,
I too must sing, with joyful tongue
That sweetest ancient cradle song.
'Glory to God in highest Heaven,
Who unto man His son hath given.
While angels sing, with praise much,
A glad New Year to all the earth.

When my Uncle Matt, a distinguished San Francisco lawyer, died at the age of 81, flowers poured in by the railroad. One immense piece bearing a pencilled card, "Pat Murphy," aroused my curiosity. None of the family had ever heard of him, but the night before the funeral my mother ordered a woman in the kitchen to a shiny blue suit sitting alone in a corner where my uncle lay. It was Pat Murphy.

"I'm the city street sweeper," he explained. "For 20 years I used to wait for the Judge at the corner of Fifth and Howard and we would walk the long block together, me sweeping. And you know, ma'am, all my life I've been watching but 'Pat' to every Tom, Dick and Harry in town. But the Judge always called me 'Mr. Murphy.' Coming from a great man like the Judge, it did something for me. I'll never forget as long as I live."

An American was seated opposite a nice old lady in the compartment of an English railway car. For some minutes he chewed his gum in silence, then the old lady leaned forward. "It's so nice of you to try to make conversation," she said, "but I must tell you that I'm terribly deaf."

A woman with a busy poodle under her arm swished into a cocktail lounge. Then, ignoring the waiter who came up, she fussed

over her fidgeting animal, cooing baby talk. "There, there. Nobody's going to hurt mamma's fluff-bunny baby." Finally the dog settled down and the woman turned to the waiter. Without batting an eye he asked courteously—if somewhat coldly—"Your first dog, madam?"

A man whose automobile had killed a cow on an Arizona road one night took the car to a garage for repairs to a badly damaged front end.

"Will I have to pay for the cow, too?" he asked.

"No, you don't pay unless you were breaking the speed limit, and you weren't. You can call me for a witness if you need me."

"But you weren't with me—it would be perjury."

"Don't worry," the paragonian reassured him. "We get these cow cases all the time. If you hit a cow when you are going less than 45 miles an hour, you had in the radiator. Between 45 and 55, the cow lands in your lap. Up around 60 she goes over the top. You weren't doing more than 45."

After several hours' fasting, little Patsy suddenly threw down her plate and exclaimed, "I quit."

"Why Patsy, what's the matter?" asked her mother.

"Well, Mother," she answered, "I just can't seem to get waited on!"



My Stars!

I'm running around in circles trying to find a new and different way to remind you of me this Christmas, but guess I'll just have to say, "Season's Greetings—to You."

CANYON OIL COMPANY

C. H. Rogers, Prop.

At a party, one woman called across the room to another. "I have been wondering, my dear, why you weren't invited to the Asterblitz' last week." The other woman smiled. "Isn't that a coincidence?" she said. "I was just wondering why you were."

A correspondent called the Soviet Embassy in London to check a report. A woman answered the telephone. "He isn't here," she said. "Who isn't there?" asked the correspondent. "Whom did you want to talk to?" asked the woman.



Light A Candle

For us on Christmas Day—and may its glow reflect the radiance of our cordial wishes to you and yours, this Christmas—and always.

CANYON STEAM LAUNDRY

Merry Christmas

The Chamber of Commerce takes this opportunity to thank the individuals and business firms for their support during the year of 1948. The Chamber of Commerce would like to take this opportunity to wish the citizens of Randall County

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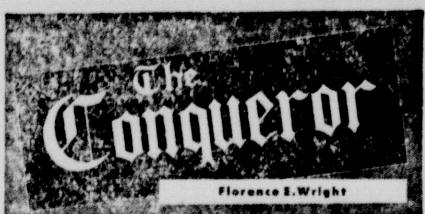
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OPERATION SILENCE

The patient, a middle-aged Yankee, had been wheeled into the operating room. Just before the anesthetic was started, he asked how long his incision would be. The surgeon gave him a noncommittal answer. "Well, Doc," said the patient, "I have just one request. My wife's incision is four and a half inches

long, and her sister's is four inches. I want you to make mine longer than both of them put together, so I won't have to listen to any more nonsense."

Letter to the editor of a correspondence column: "I am only 19 and I stayed out till two the other night. My mother objects. Did I do wrong?" The answer: "Try to remember."



He was born in a manger under the Star
For lack of room elsewhere,
But the homes of earth may be glorified
By His gracious presence there.
He built no temple with stately walls,
Yet there are many today
Where weary men may adore His name
As they bow their hearts to pray.

He wrote no book, but His message of truth
Pervades the tongues of men,
He left no riches, although in His name
The wealth of His friends is given.
He founded no kingdom, made no laws
Yet the world will learn some day,
That only those nations can endure
Which follow His matchless Way.

Tree Decorations
Symbolize Myths

You may not realize it, but most of the ornaments on your Christmas tree are symbols of myths and legends that were popular three thousand years before the birth of Christ.
At that time the Aryan race, living in the foothills of the Himalaya mountains, saw in the rays of the rising sun, bent as they passed through the humid air, the image of a gigantic tree. These sun poets added to the tree image suggestions from the more distant heavens; the sun, the moon and the stars became the golden fruit that hung on the branches. The larger clouds suggested birds, swans and doves flying in and about the tree. The golden flash of heat-lightning became the mystical flower that grew on the tree, the celestial mistletoe. The showers that watered the tree came from the streams at its base.
From these fragmentary old legends in folklore we get the tree itself, the golden tinsel to represent the rising sun, the golden fruit for stars and the moon, swans and doves for clouds, mistletoe for lightning and showers or streamers of silver tinsel for water.

Animal Costumes
For Christmas

Polish children masquerade in animal costumes on Christmas Eve. It's done to honor the legend that attributes the power of speech to birds and animals during the midnight hour of Christmas Eve in recognition of the animals who, sharing the stable of Bethlehem, warmed the Holy Infant with their breath.

Our Christmas Date
Started By Romans

The first celebration of the birth of Christ on December 25 took place in the fourth century. Before that date the commemoration of Christ's Nativity and Baptism was held on January 6.

The first mention of Christmas is found in a Roman document known as the "Philocalian Calendar" in the year 354, and the first time the festival was celebrated in Britain was in 598, when St. Augustine baptized 10,000 converts.

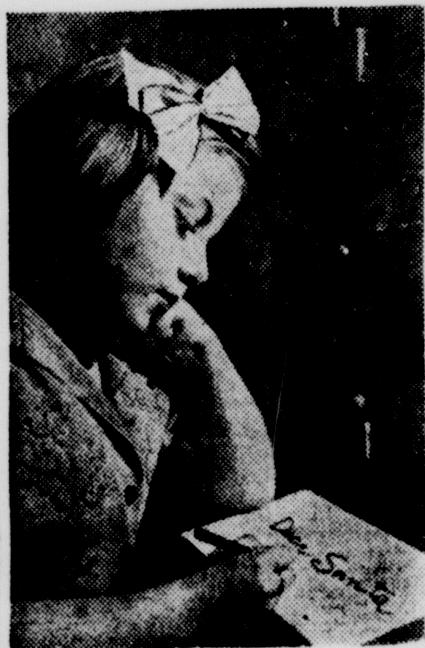
In the year 567 the Council of Tours declared a twelve-day festival from Christmas to Epiphany, and in 991-1016 the laws ordained that all strife should cease at Christmas. Christmas was established in 813 in Germany and in Norway in the year 950.

Thousands of Bulbs
On Largest Tree

Three thousand multi-colored electric bulbs and tons of Spanish moss decorate the world's largest Christmas tree located in Hilton Municipal Park at Wilmington, North Carolina. The giant, 300-year-old water oak rises to a height of 275 feet and its branches spread 110 feet.

Its magnificence has been enhanced by a radio station constructed beneath the spreading limbs from which emanates Christmas music that reaches the crowds from loud speakers concealed in the branches and an apparent voice from the heavens that comes from a speaker mounted atop a nearby giant water tower.

Thronges of people gather around it each night during December to listen or join in the Christmas caroling. The tree won its title as the largest Christmas tree in a contest held several years ago.



"DEAR SANTA" . . . This calls for a lot of deep thinking. You mustn't ask for too much, but you hate to ask for too little.

Christmas Went Underground
With Puritan Ban of 1644

THERE was a time when Christmas went underground. People who advocated Christmas were in danger of arrest and imprisonment and it looked as though Christmas was on its way out.

It all happened around 1644 when the Puritans in England forbade any merriment or religious services, by act of parliament, on the ground that it was a heathen festival. What resulted was much grumbling, breaking of the law and a Christmas underground which wrote and distributed pamphlets in favor of Christmas.

In 1648, for instance, was published "Canterbury Christmas." This pamphlet gives an account of the subsequent proceedings after the Cryer of Canterbury had upon Wednesday, December 22, "openly proclaimed that Christmas day and all other superstitious festivals should be put downe, and a market should be kept on Christmas day. Which being not observed, (but very ill taken by the country) the

town was thereby unserved with provision and trading very much hindered; which occasioned great discontent among people, caused them to rise in a rebellious way."

Among the rarest of the pamphlets issued at that time is one entitled "The Examination and Tryal of Old Father Christmas." In this little volume, "one old Christmas was commanded to be brought to the Bar, then was a jury for Life and Death to be impaneled." The Judge was called Judge Hate-bate, the Sheriff's name was called Leonard Love-peace."

In the end Christmas is acquitted, but is cautioned by Judge Hate-bate, "for avoiding all such scandals as have been cast upon you for the future, do think fit to admonish you, that you remember your Office is not so much to feast the Body, as to refresh the Soul, by thankful and pious Meditations."

Charles II re-established Christmas in 1678 and "Jolly Old Father Christmas" has never had to stand trial since.

Reading Yuletide Stories
Adds to Family Christmas

THE reading of literature's most loved Christmas stories, including the Gospels, is one of the best ways for a family to prepare for the day itself.

A family reading session, planned for the last few days before Christmas, will make it easier for the children to stand the tension of waiting and will add meaning and happy family memories to the occasion.

Christmas is, first of all, religious, and the New Testament accounts of the birth of Jesus ought always to be read first. Both the Christmas tales of Matthew and Luke are beautiful poetry and literature.

Perhaps the most famous Christmas book in the world, after the Gospels, is Dickens "A Christmas Carol," written in 1843. It is a tale which will be told and retold as long as there is Christmas. It is profound enough for the most adult taste and it is still a children's classic.

Henry Van Dyke's "The Other Wise Man," is another story which has become a Christmas classic.

It tells of a fourth wise man who saw the star rising and set out to follow it. The great desire of this pilgrim was denied, yet fulfilled in the denial.

For a good, unoffensive funny story about Christmas try "How Come Christmas?" by Roark Bradford. It concerns the efforts of a group of Negroes to decide which came first, Santa Claus or the little Lord Jesus.

Probably the most famous American Christmas tale is Kate Douglas Wiggin's "The Birds' Christmas Carol." There are other American Christmas stories well worth reading, though, such as Louisa May Alcott's "Christmas at Orchard House" and Vincent Starrett's "Snow for Christmas." Christopher Morley's "The Worst Christmas Story" happens to be almost one of the best.

These are just a few of the possibilities for a literary Christmas menu. When it is selected and served to the family circle, have the fireplace going and the tree lights on.

FROM ALL OF US



Breezes are bursting with
gaiety during this season and
we're mighty glad to be a
part of it all. We hope
that this Christmas for you
is your happiest ever.

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What More
Is There To Say

As our thoughts turn to you this
Holiday Season, we wonder just
how we can convey to you all that
is in our hearts.

We finally choose—as always—
the simplest and sweetest message
of them all: "Merry Christmas."

BILL'S STEAK HOUSE



1948
Merry Christmas

CHRISTMAS, WITH ITS MOMENTS OF WISTFUL SOLEMNITY AND PRAYERFUL RENEWAL OF THINGS THAT ARE GOOD, IS MUCH MORE THAN A DAY. ALL HAPPINESS TO YOU AND YOURS ON THIS DAY OF DAYS!

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Kenneth C. Royall, Secretary of the Army, is improving his chance to become Secretary of Defense when and if James Forrestal steps out of that office. Mr. Royall has pleased the White House by insisting that Army officers avoid lobbying for appropriations larger than the President decides they should have. The Navy and Air Force are less ready to accept a fixed ceiling on their demands for money.

British businessmen in China are all set to do business with the Communists once they take over the key trading centers. U. S. businessmen in China are less sure of the course they will try to follow.

Joseph Stalin is prepared to bide his time in dealing with U. S., hoping that a change in the U. S. Department of State will result in a "softer" U. S. line in relations between U. S. and Russia. The Russian idea is that U. S. will have a

hard time continuing to be tough once its mind is distracted by troubles at home.

Gen. Charles de Gaulle, who aspires to leadership in France, is reported by U. S. diplomats to have missed the political boat for the time being at least, and maybe for good. French people are reported to be coming around to the idea that they can work their way through their troubles without a "strong man."

"Woodman, spare that tree."

Happy Birthday

- December 24th—
Mrs. Clarence E. Thompson
Fern Sanders
Mrs. J. V. Williams
Mrs. A. B. Russell
Arrie Edward Marshall
Mrs. W. L. Browning
Rex Lawley
Mrs. C. C. Shelnutt
- December 25th—
Loyce Merle Dickerson
Clyde Fewell
Joe Don Ficke
Ruby Garcia
Mrs. Paul White
Emerson E. Owen
Mrs. S. R. Hood
- December 26th—
Mary Orton
Richard Walters
Silas Hart
Betty Ann Simon
Jimmie Dale McBroom
Frank Scales
Phyllis Dugan
J. E. Keenan
Michael Joe Cullender
- December 27th—
Mrs. Bill Howse
Geraldine Small
Mrs. S. B. Loudder
Roy S. Franklin, Jr.
Raynelle Rigsby Hinds
- December 28th—
Theresa Nell Smith
Mrs. Bill Smith
Coyle F. Shenefelt
Marsene Penick Ford
- December 29th—
Mrs. Herbert Gerdson
Mrs. J. M. Breitling
Mrs. Herschel Coffee
Frieda Menke
Thomas Boling
Mrs. Victor Steen
Mrs. Lee Montague
- December 30th—
Joe Cook
Earl Gene Peppard
Frances Louise Standley
Neil Kilchrist
Jeanette Shelnutt

The Vatican is interested in finding a way for Premier Stalin and Mr. Truman to negotiate at least a truce in the "cold war." Mr. Truman's re-election is referred to as a "unique opportunity" to lay the basis for some kind of settlement so that the world's nerves can calm down.

Actress Beatrice Lillie said to comedian Bob Hope: "I'm approaching the age of 30."

Bob Hope looked at her. "Tell me, Bea," he queried, "from which direction?"



As the wonderful, star-crowned story of Christmas moves once more through our lives, there is no one of us who is not conscious of the inexpressible divinity of the season. It is a time to be generous, a time for deep happiness, a time for neighborliness and good will towards all.

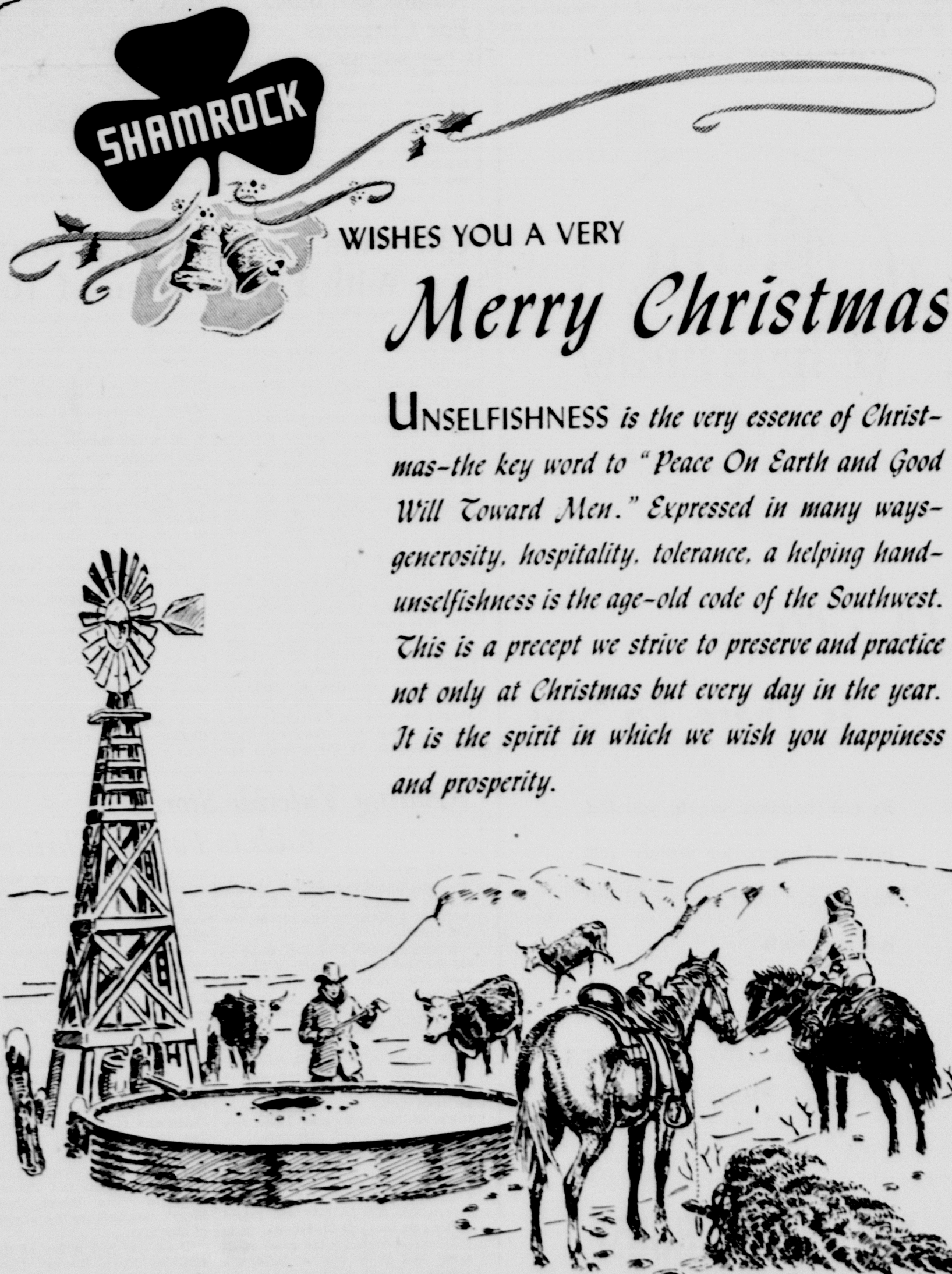
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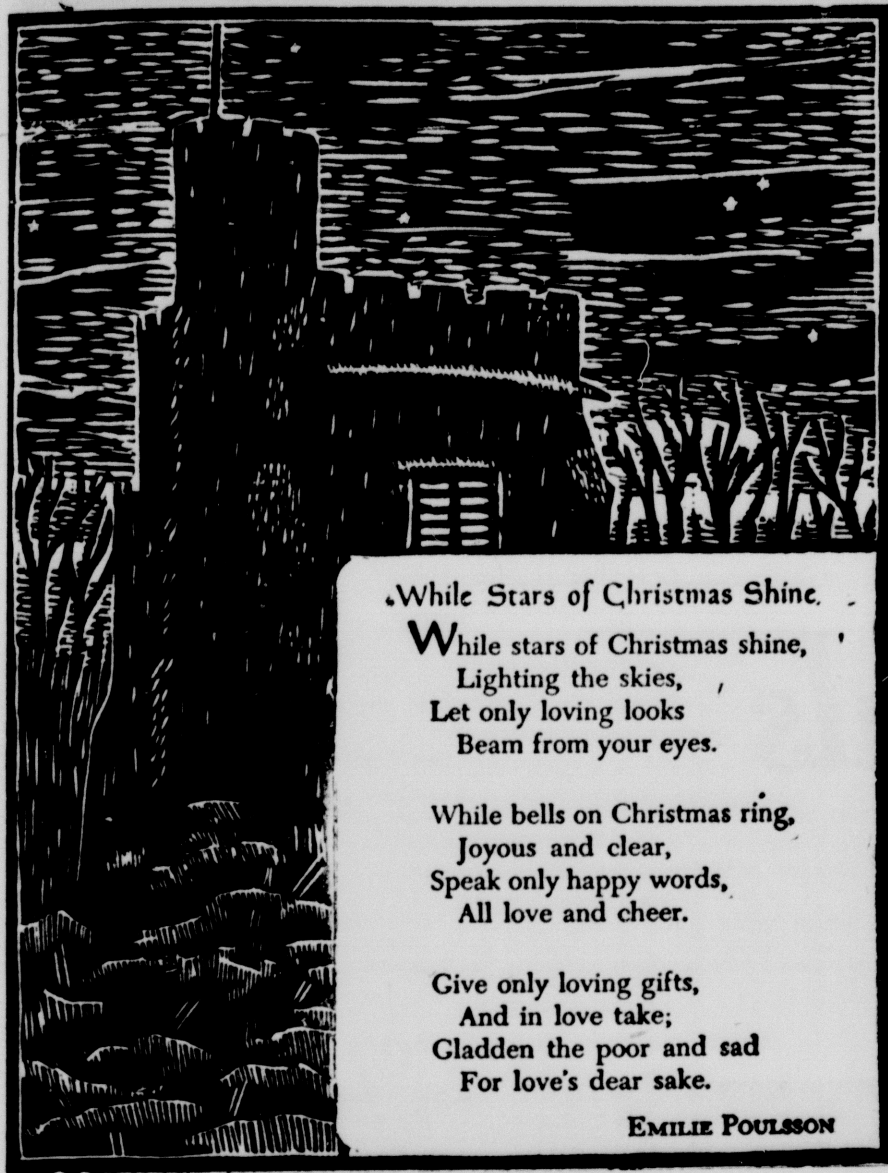


The magic spell of Christmas is everywhere . . . no corner too remote! We extend hearty Yule greetings to all our friends.

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While Stars of Christmas Shine.
While stars of Christmas shine,
Lighting the skies,
Let only loving looks
Beam from your eyes.

While bells on Christmas ring,
Joyous and clear,
Speak only happy words,
All love and cheer.

Give only loving gifts,
And in love take;
Gladden the poor and sad
For love's dear sake.

EMILIE POULSSON



Holiday Joy 1948

 **MAY THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON BRING YOU MANY BLESSINGS AND MUCH JOY AND HAPPINESS.**

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A Christmas Sheer



... to wish you a Christmas rich in longed-for joys.

Randall County Abstract Co.
A. B. Holt, Owner

With Maggie Gone

By CAROLYN GRANT

IT WAS late when old Dan left the laundry where he worked, and snow fell in great flakes from the dark sky. He stopped for a moment along the street, unmindful of the eager passersby and their thoughtless jostling against him in their haste on this last night before Christmas. He lifted his face so that the soft flakes fell against his cheeks and melted in cold little drops of water that sought the deep lines sixty odd years had put there.

Snow was a part of Christmas, and after days of hesitancy it had come—just as he and Maggie had always wanted it. "Snow makes the lights seem brighter in the store windows, along the decorated streets of our little town and in our home on our tinsel-draped cedar tree. We haven't missed many Christmases, Dan, having our snow." It seemed long ago since Maggie had said that. Years, it seemed. Yet it had been only last year that they'd stood at their front window looking out at the dark sky, and Maggie'd said those words almost like a prayer.

Dan sighed and let his chin drop into the upturned collar of his overcoat and started on. He wished the snow hadn't come. With Maggie gone, he could hardly bear its soft falling of down about him. He wanted to close his eyes against its brightness with the street lights shining upon it. He wanted to close his ears against the soft music that came from radios along the streets playing Christmas carols, and "White Christmas"—the song Maggie loved best.

Christmas had come again. But for him there'd be no Christmas—



He stopped in front of Carter's store, but minutes passed before he realized that he'd stopped there.

not any more. There'd be only memories of other Christmases eddying about him as the swirling snow, and the plans he and Maggie'd made for this Christmas even before they'd carried out the last would pass without realization, now that Maggie wasn't here to help him carry them through.

He stopped in front of Carter's store, but minutes passed before he realized that he'd stopped there and was staring without actually seeing the array of Christmas toys behind the big plate glass window. His mind was going back. He was seeing again the glow in Maggie's face as each Christmas they'd shop together for others.

Last year it had been the widow Benson and her six little Bensons, who would have been forgotten by Santa if they hadn't bought them gifts. Long ago they'd begun the ritual. They had no children of their own. But Maggie'd said, "We'll pretend that the children about us are ours." And her whole life had been one of giving at Christmas.

This year they'd planned for the O'Shays. They lived in a little house down back of the old depot. "Little Billy's just four and he's never had a wagon, Dan," Maggie'd said, planning even as they trudged through the snow with their gayly wrapped gifts for the Bensons. "And little Jeep has never had a doll that can talk and go to sleep."

Dan shifted his feet, standing there in front of Carter's, and snow gathered along the stoop of his shoulders. Somewhere among Maggie's belongings was a list of the things she'd planned to buy the O'Shays. He remembered it. Each item came clear to him suddenly as the ringing of a bell, and it was as if Maggie stood by him then, warm and alive. She touched his arm and together they went into the store with its crowd of excited late shoppers.

A clerk came up to Dan. "Something, sir?" Dan's eyes were filmed, but they were watery from age and being out in the cold wind, the clerk thought.

"Yes," Dan said. "I have a long list of things to buy."

Maggie smiled, he knew he saw her smile, and she got to talking like she used to talk when they went out together to buy gifts on Christmas Eve.


"We're like a house, Dan," she said. "We can close the doors and windows and others can't tell what we have locked inside. We live to bring happiness to others and for the good that we can do."

Dan looked up above packages piled high in his arms and smiled. He said to the clerk, "Merry Christmas, and now we'll be on our way."

The clerk looked strange. Old people, he thought, were queer, and he called after Dan, "Merry Christmas to you, too, sir! Merry Christmas!"

Stalin insists on giving the dove of peace the bird.

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I like little towns, tumbled hills and the rolling sea.

The 1920s were the golden age of sport. Can you remember Bobby Jones? Red Grange? Babe Ruth? Jack Dempsey? And Man-o-War?

And speaking of sports, that—unfortunately—reminds us of sports writers. They do the best writing on the papers but as far as being able to tell who is going to win a great athletic event, could anyone be further wrong—always excepting the financial writers who, if they knew one-tenth as much as they owlishly profess, would quit writing tripe for suckers to read at a few simoleons a day and make a million for themselves in the stock market.

All the sports experts picked Louis over Schmeling in their first meeting; Dempsey over Tunney and, if the back numbers were available, we would find no doubt that they rated Goliath at 98-to-1 over David and selected the dragon to canter to a decision in 15 rounds over St. George.

What happens to all the old razor blades may be a mystery but I know what becomes of all the old, worn-out sports experts: they wind up with jobs in the weather bureau department in Texas.

On a moss-covered tombstone:
"Here lies my wife, Samantha Proctor;
Who ketched a cold and wouldn't doctor;
She couldn't stay, she had to go—
Praise God from Whom all blessing flow."

Herbert Hoover is to find that leaders in Congress are cool to the idea of ending functions of Government as a means of saving money.



Merry Christmas 1948



JOYNER MOTOR COMPANY

Thomas Dewey, defeated Republican candidate for the Presidency, is inclined now to blame his defeat on division within the party which influenced him against a New Deal tinge to it. Governor Dewey is convinced that, if he had outlined his ideas about a permanent program of price supports for agriculture, he would have stopped the farm revolt that did much to cause his defeat.

Some Government agencies already are laying their lines in Congress to resist Hoover Commission plans for streamlining Government administration. Army Engineers, for instance, are not pleased by the proposal that their civilian activities be merged into a new Department of Public Works, along with the Bureau of Reclamation and Federal Works Agency.

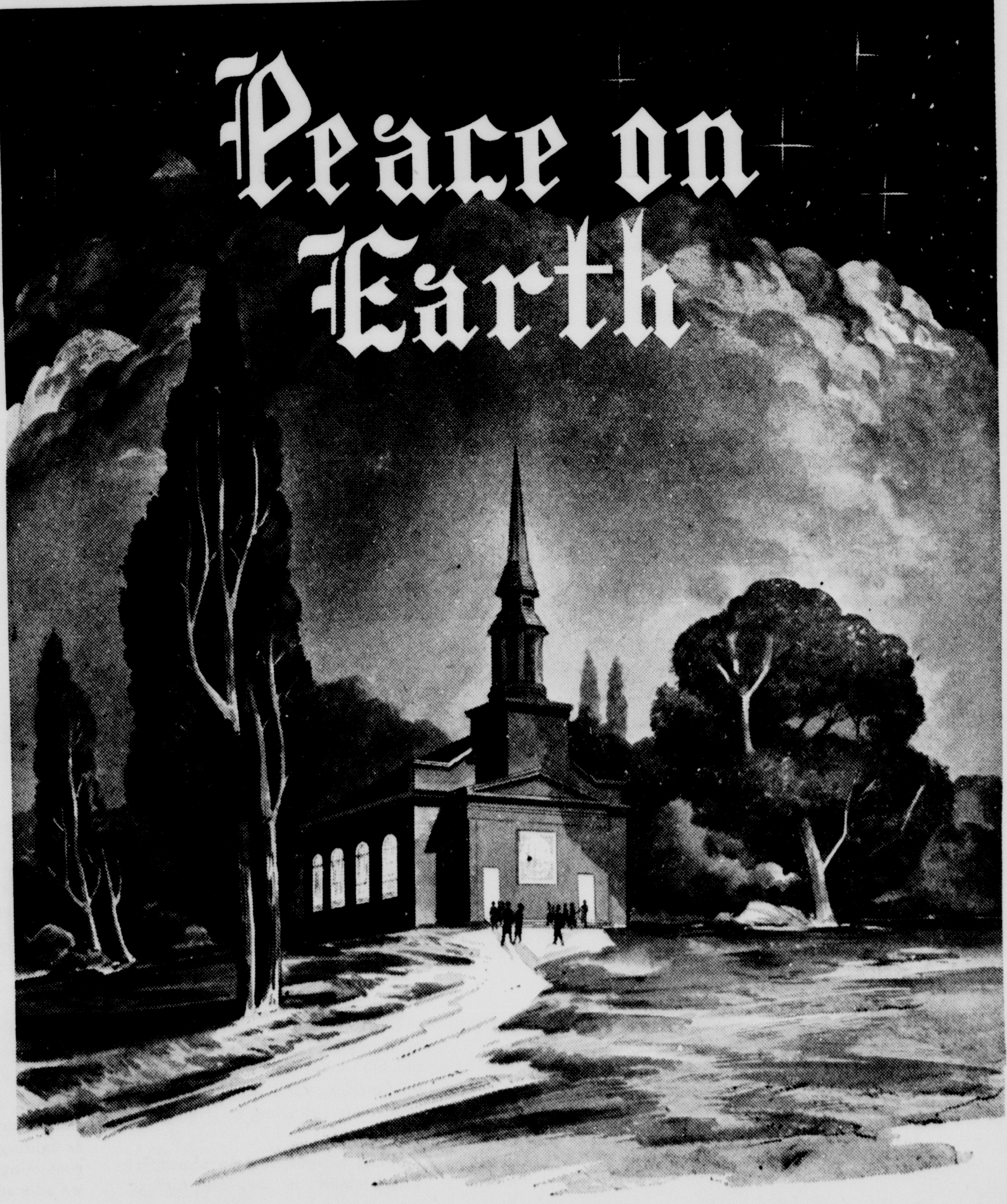
Julius Krug, Secretary of the Interior, is scheduled to retire during the first half of 1949, with Oscar Chapman, Under Secretary, the most probable choice as successor.

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MRS. W. J. FLESHER

Justice of Peace Precinct 4



'Twas the Night Before Christmas

... a bitter cold, dark and fearsome night at Valley Forge. No Santa Claus, no Christmas tree, no holly in the window ... only grim determination in the hearts of Washington and his soldiers.

Determination to hand down to you and your children the freedoms that make America great.

But today our cherished tradition of liberty is being threatened ... in a quickly shrinking world ... where un-Americanisms and ideologies are insidiously spreading their gospel of slavery.

What should you do about it? Think about the steadfast men at

Valley Forge who refused to knuckle under to despotic tyranny. Then act ... and prove to the not-so-free peoples of the world that democracy works, here in America.

Yes, you can protect our freedom by being a citizen ... a full-time citizen ... an American who accepts the duties and responsibilities of citizenship along with its blessings ... a citizen who does all the things listed at the right.

If you, and all Americans, do these simple but important things, you'll be fighting for freedom ... you'll be protecting the precious freedom that we all want and have to have.

WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT

FIND OUT ELECTION ISSUES. Attend local political gatherings. Hear both sides. Ask questions. **KNOW** the issues.

VOTE INTELLIGENTLY. No election is unimportant. Vote in all of them ... according to your conscience. It's your government.

SERVE GLADLY ON JURIES. If you haven't served before, you'll be surprised to find how interesting and important it is.

JOIN LOCAL CIVIC GROUPS. Parent-Teachers' Association or School Board, if opportunity permits. Good education is vital.

VOTE IN UNION ELECTIONS AND STOCKHOLDERS' MEETINGS. Take part in the decisions that affect your life. Don't let someone else do it.

and remember ... **FREEDOM IS EVERYBODY'S JOB!**



Scenes In Parks
Shown to Lions

Mrs. W. L. Smith of the Bureau of Public Service presented the program at the Lions Club luncheon, Thursday, Dec. 16.

The program consisted of showing of scenes of interest in various National Parks, among them the outstanding points of the Big Bend National Park.

Visitors present were: Dr. J. L. Dufflot, Jim Carr, and C. B. Gibson, all of Canyon.

Rich lands yield rich crops.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Thompson left Wednesday for Earth where they will spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Watts. They will also visit in Memphis with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Thompson.

Dr. and Mrs. H. A. Brown left Tuesday for Des Moines, Iowa to visit with their son and his wife during the holidays. They will return the first of January.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Gerald and family of Sweetwater are here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gerald.

Sorry lands yield sorry crops.

Treble Ensemble



Among the popular musical organizations on the campus of West Texas State is the treble Ensemble. These ten girls sang on the program given Sunday afternoon by the A Cappella Choir program, which was directed by Houston Bright of the Music Department.

Wayside News

Sister Lois Coxie filled her regular appointment Sunday morning. Gayland Foster accompanied her.

The annual Christmas tree and program will be held as usual at the church Christmas Eve night, which will be Friday night, beginning at 7 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Jr. Roy Dodson and Kandy of Hale Center spent Sunday in the parental Roy Dodson home.

Mrs. E. A. Franklin had word last Monday that her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Sid Franklin, died at her brother's home in Plainview Dec. 12. The body was taken to her home town, Tres Piedras, N. M., for burial.

Mrs. Joyce Lane was able to be brought home from the hospital Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kotton McGehee and children, M. L. and Dixie, left Wednesday for Norfolk, Virginia, to spend the holidays with her people. They were to spend Wednesday night in Wichita Falls with his sister, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. McNeil.

Mrs. Emma Modisette of McAllister, Okla., spent part of last week in the home of her son, Willie and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Oren Fisher announce the arrival of a little girl born Dec. 12. This makes 3 lovely little daughters for this fine young couple.

Billy Stockett left Sunday morning for an extended visit to South Texas and other points of interest.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ralph Kennedy and Betty Ruth are to leave Wednesday to spend Christmas with his people in Albany, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Kennedy and boys are to leave Wednesday for Goldthwaite to spend the holidays with her people.

Jimmie Crawford of Canyon spent Sunday in the Roy Dodson home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Stockett and W. R. Franklin were Happy and Canyon callers Saturday.

The J. R. Kennedys are sporting a good looking Ford car.

The Roy Franklin family are enjoying a good looking Buick car and were dinner guests in the W. R. Franklin home Sunday, and also called in the W. Modisette home, and with Mrs. E. A. Franklin, also.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Stockett made a trip to Amarillo Monday and brought back her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Malone and her brother Tom to spend the holidays in their home.

Thanks — Thanks
To Those Who Have
Phoned in the News

Last week The News requested the cooperation of all citizens of Canyon. The request was made that news items be phoned in, especially during the holidays when so many citizens were going away, or having guests for the holidays.

The response has been very, very fine. Here at The News office we hope that all citizens will keep up this fine practice and continue sending in news items week after week during 1949.

Thanks, many thanks again.

Decalogue is the name given the Ten Commandments.

Umbarger News

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Raef and family visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Raef.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Wieck, Mr. and Mrs. Norbert Skypala, Father and Louise Marthaler were supper guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Westhoff.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Batenhorst and family were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Friemel.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Friemel spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Crouch.

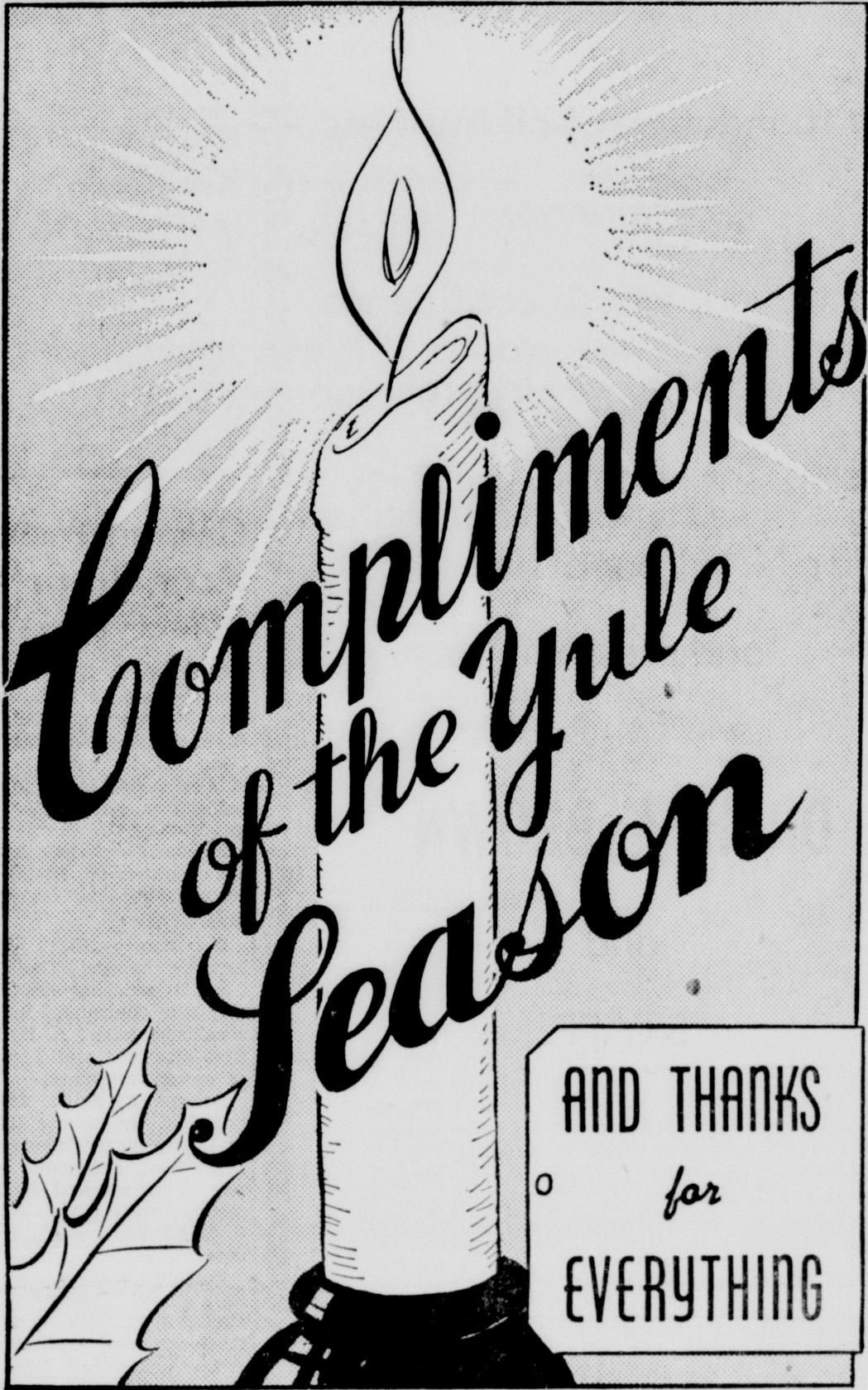
Mr. and Mrs. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Brodeston visited Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Frank.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Batenhorst spent Sunday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Batenhorst.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wieck spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Bedenk.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Stocker and family spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Max Hoffman.

Exchanging visitors were: Joe Albracht and Marcell Fischbacher with Ray and A. G. Hollenstein, Johnnie Beckman with Willie Artho, Mary Fischbacher with Anna Buecker, Betty Hoffman with Elizabeth Beckman.

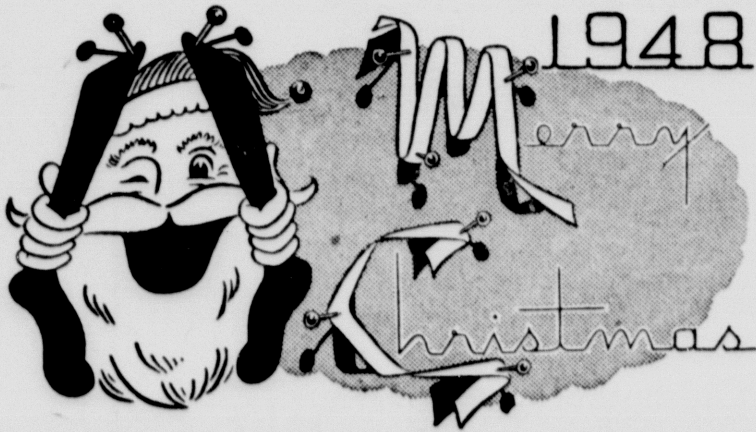


Bellah's Super Market

Edgar Allan Poe's description of the raven in the poem of that name was incorrect. He pictured it as "saintly." The reverse is true.—T. S. Eliot, poet, 1948 Nobel prize winner in literature.

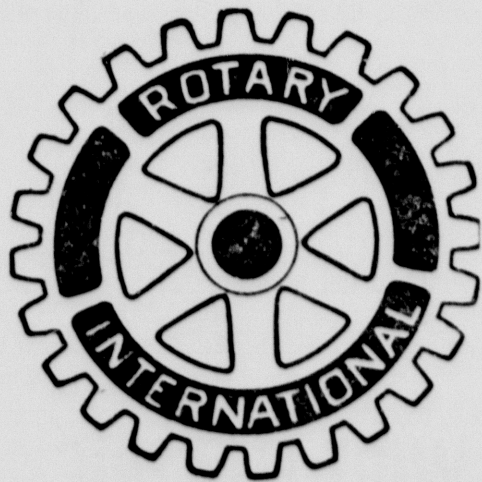
From the society column of the Burden, Kans., Times: "Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lundy left Sunday on their vacation. Their first stop will be at Claremore, Okla., to take baths."

Federal Reserve Board members are urging a go-slow policy on imposing further restrictions on bank credit. Board members fear that tightening inflation controls might plunge the nation into a recession.



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come in with a
gay note to
sing out...
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DR. H. A. BROWN

and
STAFF

World Christmas Customs



Committeemen Farm Program Selected Here

Elections to select committeemen for the 1949 Agricultural Conservation Program in Randall County were completed at Canyon, Friday, December 17, with the election of of the county committee by delegates from each of the seven communities in the county.

Elections were held in the various communities on Friday, December 10, to select the community committeemen.

Community No. 1 composed of farmers around Canyon, elected Clem Dugan, chairman; J. W. Spencer, vice chairman; E. A. Michael, regular member; A. B. Haynes, Jr., first alternate and Leroy Boehning as second alternate.

Community No. 2, which is composed of the Sunny Hill, Fairview and Johnson neighborhoods selected A. E. Wise, chairman; M. L. Davis, vice chairman and H. L. Knox as member with E. W. Schaeffer and R. B. Elliott, first and second alternates.

Community No. 3, composed of the Ralph and Jowell neighborhoods, elected J. B. Anthony, chairman; T. C. Gooch, vice chairman; and Earl J. Davis, member. John H. Barrett and Edgar Robinson, alternates.

Community No. 4, Umbarger, elected Raymond Batenhorst as chairman; Anton Handing, vice chairman and Chas. J. Beckman, member; Alternates are Sylvester Batenhorst and John L. Wieck.

Community No. 5, in the Northwest part of the county, elected L. E. Mason, chairman; Raymond H. Kimball, vice chairman with Carl B. Fugua as member. Alternates are E. E. Sharp and L. T. Campbell.

Community No. 6, which is composed of the old Zita and Trigg communities, elected James P. Gruner, chairman; Emil A. Olson, vice chairman; James L. Graves, member and Wilson Campbell and H. W. Burrus, alternates.

Community No. 7, in the Northeast part of the county, elected Freeman L. Keeter, chairman; Floyd

J. Thomas, vice chairman with Lynn B. Bennett as member. Alternates are Kenneth H. Erwin and James L. Fletcher.

Conservation practices to be approved for payment in Randall county during the year 1949 were selected at a meeting of committeemen from all parts of the county which was held November 19. A list of these practices will be mailed to all known farm operators as soon as the 1949 mailing list can be made up.

The County Committee for 1949 selected by the delegates at the meeting Friday are: R. B. Gist, chairman; John Bedenk vice chairman; C. B. Erwin, member; Raymond Batenhorst, first alternate and James P. Gruner, second alternate.

Rev. Hubert Thomson and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Gilmore left Wednesday for San Francisco, Calif., where they will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gilmore and daughter. Mrs. Gilmore is a daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Thomson, and Earl is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Gilmore. Mrs. Thomson has been with her daughter for the past few weeks and will return home with them around January 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lair are spending Christmas holidays in Waco with their son and wife and baby. Mr. and Mrs. Avert Lair and son, Avert is in law school at Baylor University in Waco.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Cowart of Hereford and Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wise of Canyon left Tuesday for Chicago, Ill., where they will spend Christmas holidays with Mrs. P. E. C. Cowart.

Don Iverson, who is in the Navy at San Diego, California, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Vearl Iverson, during the Christmas holidays. Don expects to be transferred to Seattle, Washington, after the Christmas holidays.

Tom Gerald is flying to Peru to spend Christmas there with his son and family. Mr. and Mrs. Dan Gerald and sons.

MRS. BARNARD HOSTESS EDYTH BOYD CIRCLE

The Edyth Boyd Circle of the First Baptist Church met with Mrs. Jack Barnard on December 14 at three o'clock. After a short business meeting a book review on "Torchbearers in Honan" was given by Mrs. Bill Money and Mrs. Oscar Hinger.

Those present were Mrs. R. D. Wheelock, Mrs. Chrysler Crane, Mrs. Bill Money, Mrs. Oscar Hinger, Mrs. Lon Fanning, Mrs. Ban Pennington, Mrs. Elwood Shero, Mrs. J. L. Newman, Mrs. Tom Newton and the hostess, Mrs. Jack Barnard.

Betty Jane Hales, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Hales, arrived Monday night from Lubbock where she is a student at Texas Tech, to spend Christmas with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bell are spending the Christmas holidays in Plainview with Mr. Bell's parents.

The Reno, Nev., Evening Gazette captioned a picture of a group of southern Democrats: "Revolting Democrats Breakfast."



Even Our Snow Man

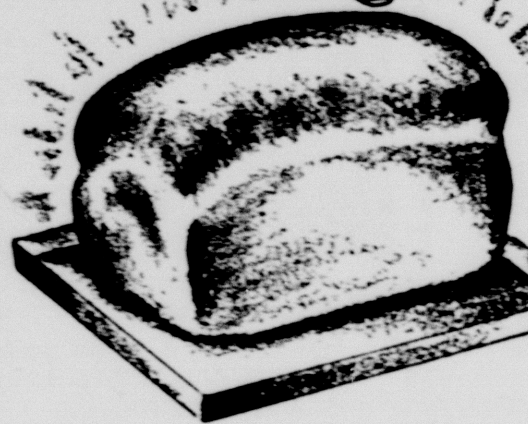
Wants to get in our greetings to you this
Holiday Season

BUFFALO BARBER SHOP

One thing would be helpful: if you newspaper editors would stop exhibiting neurotic symptoms every time anybody criticizes you. After all, your right to criticize is protected by a special Constitutional provision. —Dr. Robert Maynard Hutchins, Chancellor, University of Chicago.

Women walk following their tummy. They should feel instead that from the back of the head to the heels is one supple support, and accordingly lead with the chin. It reduces fatigue. —Blanche Rhebom, mezzo-soprano, Metropolitan Opera Company.

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I was talking to a Vermont acquaintance when a yellow convertible with a New York license plate screeched to a stop close by. "Hey, Bub!" yelled the flashily dressed

man at the wheel. "Which way to Canada?"

Deliberately my friend sauntered over to the car, coolly looked the occupant up and down. "Tell you what you do," he drawled. "You go find a Vermonter that likes to be called 'Bub' and ask him."

Metal shortages — copper, lead, brass, zinc and aluminum — are becoming more acute, so leaders of heavy equipment industries are studying possibilities for large-scale use of magnesium.



Light up that tree and
flood your home with
joy! It's Christmastime
again! A happy Holiday
to all!

I. CLYDE DAVIS

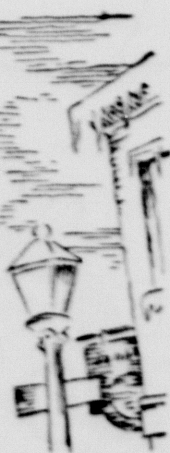
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Merry Christmas 1948

++ Christmas is an old-fashioned holiday, a time for reliving childhood days and for recalling old times, old friends.

May all the peace and tranquility of the season be yours in full measure.



As the Spirit of Christmas
unfolds itself over the countryside,
we add our greetings and best
wishes of the season.

A Christmas of joy and contentment; of peace, good cheer and happiness—that is our wish for you and yours this joyous Yuletide season.

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GOOD WILL cannot be built from a blue print, it grows — nurtured by diligence, fostered by skill and sustained by honesty. **GOOD WILL** by skill and sustained by honesty. **GOOD WILL**, like a sensitive plant, withers from neglect, carelessness and inattention.

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Attendance at Museum Reaches 50,000 Sunday

The 50,000 attendance mark at the Museum was reached and passed Sunday afternoon.

Miss Earlene Davis of Happy, Freshman in West Texas State, was the 50,000th person to register at the Museum during 1948. This attendance breaks all records at the museum.

Bill Miller, son of Coach and Mrs. Gus Miller, registered soon after Miss Davis, to make No. 50,001.

The attendance for the year is well over 100 in excess of the goal for 50,000 persons registering for the year.

Citizens of Randall county who have not registered at the Museum during 1948 are urged to visit this wonderful show place before the end of the year in order to boost the registration record.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Anthony visited friends and relatives in Lubbock last week-end.

Pair-Williams Engagement Is Announced



MISS ROONEY PAIR

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Pair of Miami, New Mexico, are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Rooney, to Ray Williams, son of Mrs. T. C. Phelps of Amarillo and Mr. E. W. Williams of Breckenridge. The wedding will take place on February 6, 1949 in the home of the bride's parents in Miami, N. M.

CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR FAIRVIEW CLUB

The annual Home Demonstration Club Christmas party was held in the Charles Sutton home Friday evening with about 70 guests present.

Six tables of progressive "42" was enjoyed by the adults while the youngsters enjoyed other games. Names were drawn and placed on gifts, then Curly Myers assisted by Harney Rogers acted as Santa Claus and treats consisting of apples, nuts and candy were passed to everyone present.

Mrs. Tommie Lair and children left last week for Knox City where they are spending the holidays at the home of Mrs. Lair's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Shaver, Sr. Mr. Lair will join them there this week-end.

Mayme Shaver will spend the Christmas week-end in Knox City at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Shaver, Sr., and her sister and brother-in-law, Major and Mrs. A. B. Robertson II.

Joan Morton, who is attending Draubhns Business College in Amarillo, visited last week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Anthony. Joan will also be home for the Christmas holidays.

Price Support Program Made Clear For Randall

There has been some misunderstanding as to the time limit on the price support program for wheat and grain sorghums.

The support loans and purchase agreements on wheat must be on or before December 31.

The time limit for loans and purchase agreements on 1948 grain sorghums has been extended to the end of February 1949.

The purchase agreements and loans for Randall County growers are executed in the County Agricultural Conservation office on Third Floor of the Court House in Canyon.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Byars spent last Sunday in Lockney visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. T. A. Byars.

Mrs. Paul Rogers left Wednesday for McAllen, where she will spend Christmas with her son, Spencer Pullin, Jr.

Marshall College To Meet Buffaloes on Thursday Night

Probably one of the best basketball games that local fans will be able to see this year will be played Thursday night at Burton Gym.

The Buffs will meet the famous Marshall County team of Huntington, West Virginia.

The two teams met last year in tournament play in California. Marshall won by a score of 56-55 in overtime play.

In spite of the fact that the college will be closed for the holidays, a large crowd is expected to see the game.

Mr. and Mrs. Si Elliott and children are visiting Mrs. Elliott's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Bennett, in Phoenix, Arizona during the holidays, and Mr. Elliott's mother, Mrs. S. G. Elliott.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Shahan and son are visiting in the home of her parents at Waco for the holidays.

THE AMERICAN WAY



Peculiar, Isn't It?
The Communist exercises his constitutional rights as he moves to destroy them for everyone including himself.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Leroy Wooten to Juanita Bell on December 15.

Edgar S. Gray to Mrs. Mary Lou DiStefano on December 18.

Wix Price, Jr., to Mollie Belle Landreene on December 20.

Ray E. Pope to Mrs. Altie Pope on December 20.

House guests during the Christmas week end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Parker and Karen Sue, will be Mr. J. E. Beagle of Long Beach, California, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Cole of Pratt, Kansas, and John Beagle from Detroit, Michigan. The guests will arrive Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Borgan and son, Ira, will have Christmas dinner in Amarillo with Mr. Borgan's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. John Borgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Borgan and son, Ira, spent last week end in Childress visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Dalby Fleming and family and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Fyfe and son.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Thomas and Jeanine visited Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Thomas and family in Clovis, N. M. last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Foster and sons from Bellflower, California, will spend Christmas here with Mrs. Emma Foster.

Manus Reed Foster who is completing work this year on his M. A. degree at the University of Kansas in Lawrence, Kansas, will arrive home Thursday to spend the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Foster.

Miss Edith Davie will spend the Christmas week-end in Dekalb, Texas, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Davie.

Mrs. D. R. Weaver and Willie Mac spent the week end in Pampa visiting friends.

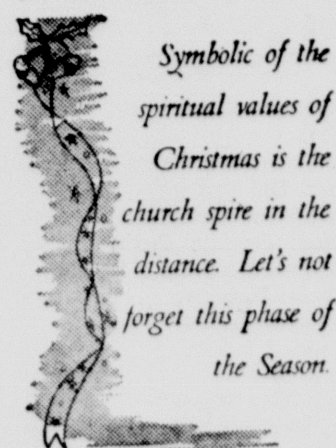
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And a HAPPY NEW YEAR

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Will stay open until eight o'clock every night until Christmas Eve.

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Canyon High Eagles Overpower Tulia Hornets In 29-17 Struggle

Coach R. D. Wheelock's Eagles added another victory to their credit last Tuesday night by downing the Tulia Hornets 29-17.

The first quarter was rather evenly matched and the whistle ending the period found the score 6-4 in favor of Canyon. During the second quarter the Eagles walked ahead slowly and were leading by a margin of 16-7 at half time.

The next period was again fairly well even with the Hornets coming in strong to hold the "purple and white" down to 6 points while they tallied for 6 themselves. In the fourth and final quarter, the Eagles again began splitting the net and wound up in the lead 29-17.

Bruce Winn, aided by his 6 foot frame, played heads up ball and was high point man of the night with 12 points to his credit. Joe Abbott was next in line for the Eagles with 6. Jerre Inman and Richard Walters tied for third place, each having 4 tallies. Billy Cleavinger followed with 3 points.

Canyon's "B" squad squeezed out a narrow victory over the Tulia "B" by the slim margin of 35-31. Troy Burrus lead the team with 12 points to his credit. Albert Craig 6, Garland Butler 5, Jimmie Lindsey and Wayne Griffin each had 4. Ray Burrus had 3 points, and Billy Samples followed with 1 tally. The score by quarters was as follows: Canyon 10, Tulia 6; Canyon 13, Tulia 11 at the half; Canyon 27, Tulia 17; and during the final period the Tulia "B" ran the score to 31-35 in favor of Canyon.

Eaglettes

Canyon High's Eaglettes downed the Hornets of Tulia with a score of 38-15. Bobby Ford, who was high pointer with 18 points to her credit, was on the alert from the beginning. Janey Forester was next with 14 baskets. The second string was sent in for the remaining two minutes of the second quarter when Wanda Edwards made two points which helped bring the score, at half time, to 24-4 in our favor. The second stringers also played the entire third quarter.

The Hornets were a little stronger in the second half of the game and managed to get around the "purple and white" for 11 more tallies. The first string girls went back in to play the fourth quarter and tied down the overwhelming victory.

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THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

Christmas, the yuletide season is upon us once again. As you think about this day commemorating Christ's birthday, what are your expectations? Is this the day looked forward to because of the idea of receiving gifts?

The true spirit of Christmas does not lie in receiving gifts, but if a person is to be really happy, he must give gifts from his heart. Gifts that bear a true meaning for the person intended are gifts that will live forever.

To the person who gives that way it is said there shall be returned gifts of such an astonishment as will rival the colors of the rainbow and the harmonies of heaven, so that though he lives to an old age when a man's memories fade, he will remember his gifts and will walk upright as one whose heart shines like a great star.

By B. S.

We use the T formation just enough to permit the alumni to get the impression we have a modern football attack—Fritz Crisler, Michigan University athletic director.

Truman may be sitting on top of the world—but it's a hot seat right now.

Christmas Prevails Classroom Scenery

CHS rooms are all sporting the Christmas spirit. All the rooms have been colorfully decorated in holiday colors. The students have done the decorating and yuletide scenes have been drawn on the blackboards by pre-artists.

Wherever you look in Mrs. Ball's room, you are sure to see jolly old St. Nick, for he appears on every window and laughs at you from the door.

The chemistry room is highlighted by the scene of the angel appearing before the shepherds watching their flocks by night.

Glance into Mrs. Simms' room and you will see Santa approaching in his sleigh and the hearty greeting of "Merry Christmas" on the board.

Mrs. Miller's room holds special interest for the boys because on her door is a big bow with mistletoe attached.

Mrs. Knott's and Mrs. Beard's rooms have fireplaces with Santa Claus at their side drawn on the board.

Mr. Schultz's typing room is decorated with Christmas rope from which icicles dangle.

Mrs. Gilmore's room emphasizes the colors and artistry of Christmas cards and swinging red bells.

Before the mirror in the hall is the annual Christmas tree. When one enters the building and views it, he may sense the enthusiasm of the entire student body as expressed in its symbolism.

Grade Notes

Mary Lee Hartman is absent from Mrs. Collins' first grade due to chickenpox.

Mrs. Black's first grade had Mrs. C. F. Rodgers as a visitor Wednesday morning.

In the third grade Jaycee Ashlock and Vicky Wiggins were absent from school due to illness.

Mrs. Iverson's sixth grade gave the lines of "The Night Before Christmas" to the first and second grades last Monday morning.

J. C. Higginbotham is back in Mrs. Walsh's class after a week's illness. Winona Winters left for Hot Springs, New Mexico, for the Christmas vacation.

Each Group of students in the grade school is busy with preparations for their final Christmas party. All rooms are decorated with bells, candles, icicles, poinsettias, stars, and colored paper of all kinds. Medium-sized trees with all their trimmings are waiting expectantly the moment when gifts piled high below them will be passed out by old Santa who, no doubt, will appear just at the right time to hand them out with good advice.

"We're hoping room mothers, parents and friends will be with us at this time, since we find this period a time of delight to each child in our school," says Miss Elva Fronabarger, principal.

Harriet Presents Babies to FHA

Wanted: Baby-sitters immediately in the Home Economics Department for the five new babies. They are: Dopy, Sleepy, Sneazy, Droopy, and Grumpy.

Hilarious excitement ensued last Monday when it was discovered that Harry (that was) now Harriet, is the mother of quintuplets. Students rushed in and out to congratulate the proud mother. Harriet's eyes were beaming with joy as she heard the exclamations of delight at her achievement.

Poor mother, a little white rat, has not had a balanced ration, due to the fact that she is the subject of an experimentation in diet. What kind of fur and teeth will the "little dears" have? They may not be able to gnaw holes in the flour bins, bread boxes, and cookie "hide-aways."

As yet the little ones are nothing but mere bunches of red skin. But no doubt, that within a week or two, they will be as beautiful as any white mice, provided FHA girls drop present plans and feed them properly.

Dr. Waldo E. Houghton

OPTOMETRIST

802-3-4 Oliver Eakle Bldg.
Amarillo, Texas, Ph. 27332



Hey, Gang, here I am with all the dirt. Pull up an ear and listen.

By the way, Betty Jean Graham has Marvin Cornette's class ring!

Mary Sue Foster now has two old flames. A new one and an old one. Bill Dodgins is the old one and Philip Busted claims the honor of being the new beau.

Bryce Slack is getting very, very popular. He escorted six girls to the Senior Dance.

Things are getting to a bad case. Danny Moore and Tommy Middleton may clash over Peggy Jo Bonds. May the best man win!

Arlen Ruthardt and Nancy Overton are having fun in the gym. How about Richard Pruitt? Another clash?

Donnie Stroup brought a number of girls to Melba's party. Say, Suzanne, what did Dick say about that?

What's this I hear about Carroll Howard and Ruth Parker in seventh period study hall?

Here's what you've been waiting for. Richard Walters went with Helen Borden Sunday night while Norris Root stepped out with Ava Dooley.

Says Mary Ruth Hill in journalism, "I know they take certain people to insane asylums, because I've been there."

Say, Mrs. Findley, "Are you getting used to teaching Gerald and Marian in Algebra II yet?"

That Jerre Inman, Wayne Prichard affair is getting pretty thick, don't you think? They were seen at the show again Sunday night.

Joanna Haines says she is love-sick. Wonder why?

Could it be? Rumors are going around that Wayne Prichard is a traitor because he sat with some Tulia girls at the ball game. Be sensible gang. Wayne can't help it because he's popular.

Duane Howard and Nelda Ruthardt had a good time at the FHA party.

Some Berger boys came to see Fay Gunter the other night. Maybe she's as popular as Wayne!

Rumor has it that Jimmy Parsons is going to take Martha Hales to the Junior party. Could it be another steady couple?

Tommy Gooch seemed to be having a good time with Jimmie Jennings in church Sunday night.

Believe it or not—Weldon Hacker is stepping out. Janey Forester finally got him to dance with her at the Senior dance.

Senior Personality

Name: Paye Dickerson
Favorites:
Food: Pimento cheese sandwiches
Drink: Dr. Pepper
Actor: William Holden
Actress: Jeanne Crain
Ambition: To sleep a week
Pastime: Reading
Sport: Basketball
Boyfriend: ???
Color: Blue
Song: "It's Magic"
Ideal Person: Mrs. Knott
Pet Peeve: Two-timing girls
Personals:
Color of hair: Brown
Color of Eyes: Blue
Height: 5'2 1/2"
Weight: 98
Shoe Size: 6
Age: 17

I know of no reason to believe that access to Berlin by highway or rail will be restored by the end of the year—Gen. Lucius Clay, U. S. commander in Germany.

Rosa Bonheur painted the Horse Fair.

For Buys

in
Good Homes
in
Canyon
See
J. A. Guthrie

Old Kris Kringle Announces Special Gifts to Students

Dear Jimmy Wooten,

I'm afraid my records show that you have been a bad boy.

Since this is so, I absolutely refuse to send you the following items, even though you write a hundred times: A pair of brass knuckles, 4 machine guns, a get-away car, 3 steel vests and 1 dozen time bombs.

I'm afraid your father wouldn't approve.

Instead you can expect the following items: 1 tricycle, 1 junior size butterfly catcher, 1 pair of muscle builders, 2 model airplanes and 1 cowboy suit, equipped with a cap pistol and a B. B. gun.

If you don't stop throwing Jimmy Lindsey and Wayne Griffin down and sitting on them I will be forced to over look your house Christmas night.

Regretfully yours,
Santa.

Dear Janey Belle:

You've been a very naughty girl this year. If you don't behave between now and Christmas, I'll forget you entirely.

You say you want Gregory Peck for Christmas this year. I'm afraid that for some reason or the other, you just can't have him. But maybe I'll let you have Berkley SoRelle in place of him. I know you'll scream with joy when you read this.

You asked for a 1949 Buick. Well I can't manage that but how would you like a bicycle built for two?

I'm sorry I can't bring you a Kitten but I think I can manage a baby poorcripple.

You may not get everything you want but since you seem to want pets I'll bring a full grown alligator.

Yours only,
Santa.

Dear Joanna:

I'm sorry to hear you want a set of dolls for Christmas, because I promised the last one I had to Barbara McDougal.

I've been keeping an eye on you and I might bring you a baby turtle you wrote for, if you'll be very good. I don't know where I'll get one, though, I might ask Jo Parker, she may have one she doesn't want.

Let's see what else you asked for? Oh yes! I mean no! I'm afraid I can't hang Albert Craig on your Christmas tree.

Oh well I think you will be very happy with the surprise present I'm bringing you.

Glad to be yours,
Santa.

P. S. Mickey told me not to bring an engagement ring.

New 100 h.p. Boiler Replaces Inadequate Heating System

Feeling chilly? Not for long. If you can wait until the Christmas holidays, you'll have all the heat you need.

Why? Because the school is installing the new 100 horsepower boiler then.

The school did have one 40 horsepower, and one 50 horsepower boiler operating. Seeing that they didn't furnish enough heat, the officials ordered a 100 horsepower boiler.

The 40 horsepower boiler was taken out and new burners were put in the 50 horsepower boiler.

Since the 50 horsepower boiler will not give enough heat, a special man is required to run it during the night.

Connections to the ventilating heaters in the cafeteria will also be made during the Christmas holidays.

"When the new 100 horsepower boiler is installed, it alone will handle the heating requirements of the elementary, and high school buildings, along with the shop, band and agriculture buildings," says Superintendent E. A. Wooten.

School Features Special Program

The seventh grade chorus, directed by Mr. Herman Demus, featured "Silent Night" and "Oh Come All Ye Faithful" in the school Christmas program, last Wednesday.

Members of the speech class presented the following parts: The Christmas Story from Luke 2:1-20 and Matthew 2:1-11, by Mable Graham, "Christmas the World Over," by Troy Thurmon, and Marion McReynolds' article on "Is There a Santa Claus?" Followed by the all Girl Choir singing "The First Noel" and "Oh Holy Night."

Shirts and ties for Mr. E. A. Wooten, superintendent, and for Mr. J. E. Miller, principal of CHS, and shirts for the custodians, were gifts presented by the SFC from the student body.

Save top soil and you save all.

Claude Girls Tip Eaglettes, 34-29

Canyon Eaglettes Snatch
One-Sided Score, 38-15

Canyon Eaglettes bowed to the Claude girls' team Monday night. The Eaglettes started the game off by holding the high side of the score which was 8-3 at the end of the first quarter. At the end of the first half the Eaglettes were still ahead with a slim lead of 15-14. The third quarter brought about a change in the score balance. Claude was in the lead 26-22 at the close of the third quarter and held the lead throughout the fourth quarter to come up with the score 34-29 in their favor at the close of the game.

Dorothy Butler was high point scorer with 13 points, while Bobby Ford ran a close second with 12 points to her credit. The first string guards played fast ball and put out a spectacular performance. Woodward and Avery were high point for Claude, ringing up 13 points each.

Students Attend Holiday Parties

With Christmas close at hand classes have been busy with their holiday parties.

The Junior class celebrated the yuletide season with a party in the school cafeteria Wednesday, December 22. Indoor games were the main feature of the evening.

The cafeteria was also the scene of the Sophomore party which was held Saturday, December 18. The guests came formal. Ping pong, 42, and dominoes provided entertainment for the pupils. Refreshments of punch and cookies were served.

The cafeteria was decorated with multi-colored balloons and red and green crepe paper which was draped from the ceiling.

The high school gym which was appropriately decorated in the Christmas motto, including the traditional mistletoe, was the setting of the Freshman party, held last Thursday. Guests danced and played games in the gym and then proceeded to the Home Economics department where they were served refreshments of candy canes, cocoa, and cookies. The highlight of the party was the presentation of scarfs to their room mothers and to Mr. Jack Barnett, Freshman sponsor, a brightly colored tie.

The eighth grade had a Christmas party and dance in the grade school gym the last two periods, Tuesday afternoon. After the dancing they went to the cafeteria where they had their Christmas tree and exchanged gifts. Punch and cookies were served.

The exchanging of gifts was the highlight of the seventh grade party held Tuesday afternoon, December 21. Games were played and refreshments were served by room-mothers. Sponsors and room mothers were presented gifts.

Paige Carruth and Max Bellah were visitors in CHS last week. Both are '48 graduates.

From the East London Daily Dispatch: "The Russian General deceived the Press in a room decorated with photos of the wrecked Soviet plane."

Many a man would like to be king for a day, since reading that England's new royal heir gets a salary of approximately \$548 a day for his cradle duties.

BABY CHICKS

We are now taking off large hatches Monday and Thursday each week.

Also have started chicks.

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Two Plays Portray English Class Work

"Alex Johnson's Christmas" and "The Secret of Christmas," are plays presented by the two seventh grade sections of English last Wednesday. The 7-1 section gave the first and section 7-2 the later, to the eighth grade classes, at the third period, Wednesday morning.

This program was an oral presentation of regular class work which has been prepared during the last two weeks under the direction of Mrs. Irene Ball.

Following the play, the traditional carols were sung by both classes.

Juniors Present 'The Humdinger'

Juniors presented their play "The Humdinger" last Tuesday night to a full house of patrons and friends. As is traditional the public and student body attend a similar performance each year. By such dramatic work students gain experience in public speaking and the proceeds are used to finance the annual Junior-Senior banquet each year.

A fifteen minute skit was presented to the entire student body in assembly Monday during the seventh period.

Tuesday afternoon grade school students were permitted to attend a matinee of the play, since the high school auditorium is too small to seat them with the high school group at the regular evening performance.

"Our practice has been pleasant as well as profitable. We feel that each student who has participated in the play has received full value for his work. We are deeply grateful to every one who has aided us in any way," states Mr. T. L. Devin, sponsor of the group and director of the play.

One Year Ago

Canyon Eagles beat the Hereford Whitefaces 58-26.

Harry Campfield was in love with Sue Dickerson.

Janey Forester's favorite color is red. Even her boyfriend, Junior Fulfer, from Dimmitt, dyed his hair red to please her.

Mable Graham has asked Santa Claus for a six-foot, brown-haired, blue eyed, boy friend for Christmas. For the dumb ones in school his name is Billy Cleavinger.

Junior play brings \$212 for the class.
WT Calves down Eagles 36-24 and Stanford tips Eaglettes 43-35.
Italian woman spoke to the FHA group.

CHS chorus sings carols at Cousins Hall.

Since Mrs. Roosevelt severely criticized the Dixiecrats, she deserves a little censure herself for being so bad-mannered as to speak ill of the dead.

The real proof of courtesy is to have the same ailment the other person is describing and not mention it.

Top Eight Have Five A's Each

Fourteen Classmen Are
Possessors of Four A's

Eight students lead the first honor roll of fifty-four students with five A's each this time. The Junior class is represented by four members, Martha Hales, Melva Martin, Mary Funston and Mary Ruth Hill. Betty Erwin and Marian McReynolds follow for the senior class while the freshman class has one student holding five A's, Delores Irvine.

Pupils making four A's are Joe Watson, Sue Dickerson, Truman Laughery, Billie Graham, Don Hickman, Chloe Ann Black, Laura Davis, Mable Graham, Anna Belle McCarthy, Betty Slagle, Shirley Erwin, Jimmie Jennings, Dana Rice and Shirley Priddy.

Having three A's are Edwina Caskey, Nora Dell Ruthart, Camilla Davis, Ann Holt, Virginia Holt, Jerry Martin, Jo Ann Mickey, Barbara Winters, Johnnie Pay Bonds, James Head, Teddy Lowe, Jay Bollman, Nancy Bolton, Tysene Cox, Barbara Glanton, Carlene Rogers and Virginia Rigby.

Also holding this amount are Bettie Graham, Anita Ruthart, Janey Forester, Jimmy Lindsey, Dorothy McReynolds, James Miller, Weldon Sanders, Annette Rusk, Richard Sanders, Donna Erwin, June Jennings, Doris Bourn, Dorothy Neblett, Nancy Overton, Betty Schuette, Teddy Howell and Don Johnson.

To make the honor roll only one student in grades seven through twelve must have at least three A's. An honor roll is usually given at the end of each six-weeks term, though one was not put out last six-weeks.

Juniors Trample Hereford Quintet

Making up for their loss to the Sam Houston Junior High team, the Canyon Junior five blasted the Hereford Junior basketballers Friday night to the tune of 26-14. Tuesday night the Junior team lost to Sam Houston 11-12. Busted and Morton were the hot-rods for Canyon, each making 4 points. Albright and Donnell made 5 tallies for the opponents.

Busted and Slack were the spark-plugs for Canyon in their win over Hereford. Busted making 12 and Slack 6. Grades 7 and 8 played Hereford's 7 and 8 grades. They were beaten 22-14. Bourn, Middleton, and McDonald were the point makers for Canyon, making 3 apiece. The box score for the Hereford Jr. game is as follows:

Player	fg	ft	pf	tp
McCarter	2	0	0	4
Slack	3	0	1	6
Busted	5	2	0	12
Hardway	0	0	0	0
Hill	0	0	0	0
Currie	2	0	0	4
Morton	0	0	0	0
Cornette	0	0	0	0
Gooch	0	0	0	0

What is this feverish quest of the novel and bizarre that keeps the American wondering what a new Congress will do that 80 haven't already done?

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This Completes Our Christmas

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The editor of this paper has just received a beautiful Christmas card signed by Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, carrying the following message to be published for the citizens of Texas:

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"Christmas is a proper time to give thanks for the degree of health we now enjoy. I want to thank you for your assistance in making this record possible, and ask you to continue your efforts to further public health in Texas."

"May you and all those you hold dear have a very Merry Christmas and a New Year of Good Health. Sincerely yours, Geo. W. Cox, M. D., State Health Officer."

On the front of the card is a handsome picture of the new State Health Department Building which was first occupied by the Department in 1943, and on which has just been completed a fourth floor addition. Prior to occupying this building, the entire Health Department was housed on part of one floor of the old Land Office Building.

Dr. Cox was re-appointed to his 7th consecutive two year term as State Health Officer, by the State Board of Health in December.

Called by Death

John F. Taylor left Saturday for Walla Walla, Washington, called by the death of Mrs. S. J. Taylor, his sister-in-law. He made the trip by car with a nephew.

Mr. Taylor expects to remain for a visit with his brother for a couple of weeks.

Our decision to ship arms to France should make for a happy Thanksgiving in Paris.

Park Club Has Christmas Party

Mrs. Leonard Winters was hostess Friday evening at the Christmas party for the annual Christmas party on December 16.

Group singing of Christmas carols opened the program followed by a duet sung by Mrs. L. J. Raymond and Mrs. Leonard Winters. Mrs. A. T. Burks and Mrs. G. A. Colling read Christmas poems, and Mrs. Flynn Winters and Mrs. Elmer Winters gave musical numbers.

Miss Winona and Barbara Winters, guests, entertained the group with a piano duet "Santa Claus is Coming to Town," and Winona Winters sang a solo and played a piano solo, followed by two piano selections by Miss Barbara Winters.

Highlight of the afternoon was the distribution of gifts from the gayly lighted Christmas tree.

Tasty seasonal refreshments were served to members and guests. Mrs. Elmer Winters, Mrs. A. T. Burks, Mrs. C. T. Burch, Mrs. G. W. Prater, Mrs. Tony Simon, Mrs. G. A. Colling, Mrs. H. A. Simon, Mrs. Jack Burch, Mrs. J. H. Bartlett, Mrs. L. J. Raymond, Mrs. Flynn Winters, Mrs. Frank Simon, Mrs. Mary Simon, Mrs. H. A. Henson, Miss Lou Ella Patterson, Mrs. O. E. Sherer, Mrs. J. H. Dietz, Mrs. Dick Raymond, Mrs. D. J. Maynard, Mrs. W. E. Sheets, Mrs. Earl Blasingame, Misses Barbara and Winona Winters and the hostess.

Football coach, giving his team a pre-game pep talk: "Well, here we are, unbeaten, untied and unscored upon—and getting ready for our first game."

Christmas Party at Kimbrough Home

Mrs. Frank Kimbrough was hostess Friday evening at the Christmas party for All Saints' Guild of All Saints' Episcopal Church, in her home on Fifth Avenue. Attractive yuletide decorations were featured in the entertaining rooms, and gifts were distributed from a gayly lighted Christmas tree.

Coconut cake topped with whipping cream and chocolate sauce, nuts and coffee were served from a beautifully appointed table centered with an arrangement of holly and red apples. Mrs. G. E. Clark served the cake and Mrs. Fred Jennings poured coffee.

Those present were Mrs. Everett Glenn, Mrs. George Hand, Mrs. C. L. Joyner, Miss Jane Darland, Mrs. G. E. Clark, Mrs. Fred Jennings, and the hostess, Mrs. Kimbrough.

First Class O. M. and Mrs. Hal Harrison and son, Larry, from San Diego, California, arrived Wednesday night to visit with Mrs. Harrison's mother, Mrs. Mary Sligar and Mr. Harrison's mother, Mrs. Ollie M. Harrison.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bair and James, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lair have recently returned from a trip through Charleston, West Virginia, and Washington, D. C. They visited in twelve states during their trip.

James and Betty Thomson will spend Christmas holidays in Olney visiting their brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Thomson.

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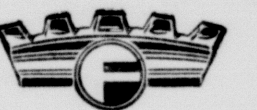
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TRUE TO FORM

Anyone doubting that this government is the biggest thing on earth is invited to consider this: The Veterans' Administration this year asked for \$7,900,000 for stationery. This would have printed 3,674,000,000 forms, or 200 forms for each veteran or 30 forms for each person in the United States. It also asked for \$33,217,500 letterheads, at a cost of \$557,902. This would have permitted each of the employees of the VA, including elevator operators, to write 1348 letters in fiscal 1948.

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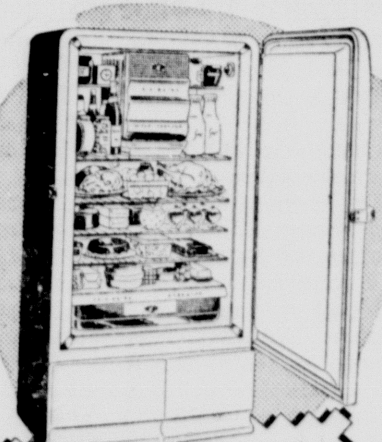
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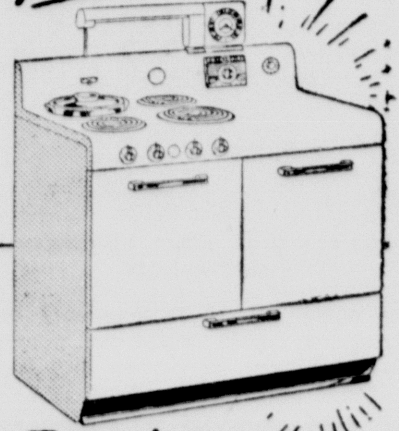
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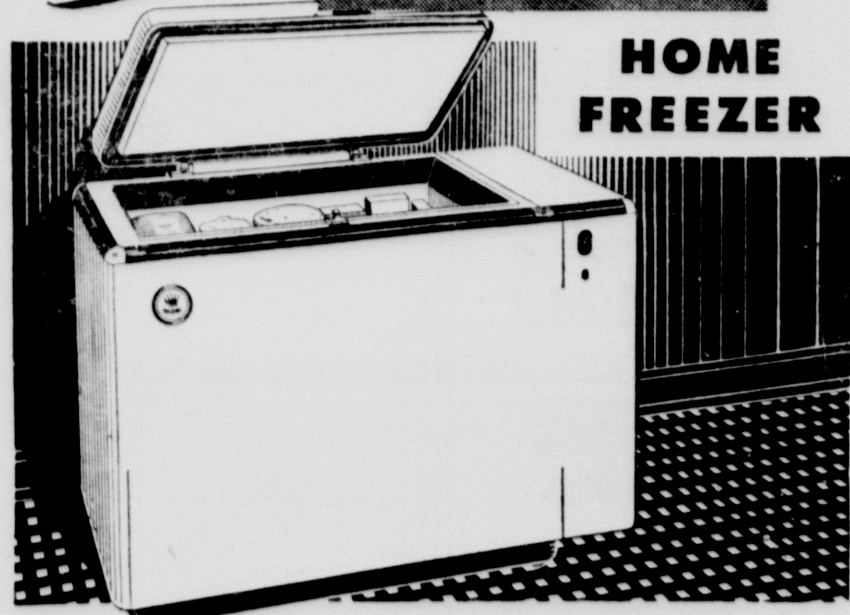


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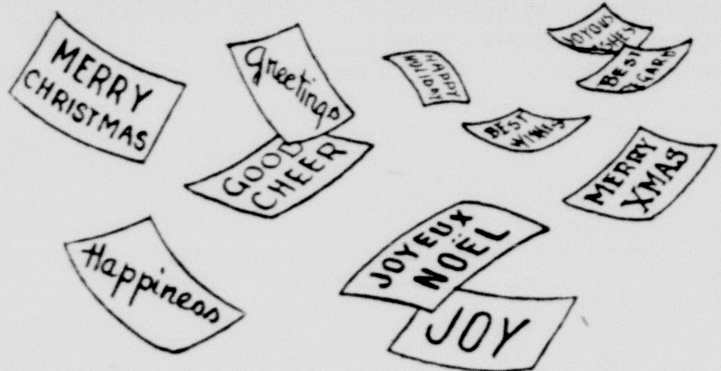
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Las Vegas J. P.s Cash In on Lush Wedding Doings

RENO, NEV.—Any red blooded American boy can still grow up to be president, but the really sharp kids in Nevada will do well to aim at a justice of the peace job.

Take this year's primary election, for example. There were 12 men after the job of justice of the peace at Las Vegas and nine at Reno. The primary weeded out all but two in each city.

Why all this interest in a job which in most communities is an underpaid township office?

Well, in Las Vegas the justice of the peace office is a \$40,000 a year business and in Reno it's at least half that much.

The big business is marriage. Almost 27,000 weddings were performed in Reno last year and only a few thousand fewer took place in Las Vegas.

That's where the justice of the peace comes in. There's a \$5 fee involved in each ceremony. It goes into the justice's pocket.

Thus when Harvey E. McDonald of Las Vegas read the marriage vows some 9,500 times last year, he handled more money than many a banker or corporation executive.

Former Air Corps Gunner

McDonald is a former gunner on an army bomber. He was elected justice of the peace two years ago, and he sought re-election.

But Las Vegas voters follow a political rule of thumb which limits the justice of the peace to a single two year term.

McDonald lost out in the primary. Competing for his job are A. G. (Gus) Blad, longtime Las Vegas police judge who augments his income by tending bar at the Elks club, and Robert Peccole, who dabbles in real estate but makes his living as a blackjack dealer at a downtown club.

Reno voters do not follow the single term pattern. The late Justice of the Peace Harry Dunseath held the office for 12 years until his death last spring.

Reno Has Competition

The Reno justice has more competition in the marriage business from the district judges than does the J. P. in Las Vegas, but even here he can net about \$1,000 a month when business is good.

Laurance Layman, a veteran post office worker, was appointed to the Reno job upon the death of Dunseath. Layman and Fred Keiper, an embalmer with a local undertaking firm, won out in the primary here and will meet in the general election.

No educational or occupational background is required to be a justice of the peace in Nevada—just a willingness to be on the job 24 hours a day.

In addition to performing marriage ceremonies, he has to conduct justice court for all minor lawbreakers, preside at preliminary hearings in major crimes, decide small claims disputes and act as coroner for his township.

The justice of the peace in Las Vegas gets no salary whatsoever and the one in Reno gets only enough to keep his office functioning for the legal aspects of the work. Expenses in connection with the marriage business come out of the justice's pocket.

Leading Authority Claims

Toothaches Are Old-Fashioned

SEATTLE, WASH. — Toothaches are old-fashioned.

That is the opinion of Dr. John C. Brauer of the University of Washington school of dentistry, a leading authority on children's dentistry.

Dr. Brauer said older people cannot always be spared from aching molars, because of past habits, but few children would experience dental pain during their lives if they practiced preventive measures now known to dental science.

He lists five major points in the protection of children's teeth:

A child should visit the dentist before he is three years old.

Adequate nutritional diet, including proper amounts of milk, eggs, meat, fruits and cereals.

A minimum of concentrated sweets such as candy, gum, pop, rich pastries, jams and jellies.

Regular and careful cleansing and brushing of teeth.

Topical application of sodium fluoride.

Scientists Seek Ways

To Sun-Proof Clothing

WASHINGTON.—Your dress, tent or shirt may be sunproof in the future because of experiments being conducted atop Mount Montezuma in Chile.

Smithsonian Institution scientists on the 9,500-foot peak are making precise measurements of the effect on various fabrics of different elements in sunshine.

They are working on the theory that disintegration of cloth is due as much to specific kinds of light as to total sunlight. But moisture in the atmosphere is also a culprit and it is difficult to separate its effect on fabric from that of the damaging light rays. Hence, the choice of Mount Montezuma, one of the driest spots in the western hemisphere.

Wife to husband: "All right, I admit I like to spend money . . . but name one other extravagance."

SHORT STORY

Thunder Shower

By NORMA MOSHER

JOAN ROBERTS called me the other day. Rather surprisingly, for I hadn't seen her in years, and after the usual exchanges, "How are you? It's too bad we don't see one another more often," she got down to the point.

"Did you know your cousin Ethel was being married next month?" "I was aware of the fact," I replied, rather grimly. "I've already been to three of her showers."

"Well, since I'm to be a bridesmaid I simply have to have one, too. I've decided on next Tuesday, and I thought you might like to come."

This was a "miscellaneous" shower, which, as everybody knows, means that you can bring anything from the book-ends Aunt Hattie sent you for Christmas to the pillow slips you picked up during the January sales for \$1.98.

Our household, unfortunately, never seems to yield any hidden treasures at the right moment, so I bought a rose bowl at the little gift shop up at the corner.

I didn't get it wrapped until the last minute, as usual, and, as usual, I found that there wasn't a bit of fresh ribbon in the house.

BUT I still had the pearls to wrap up. Much as I disliked the idea, I had to pass them along to the next bride in the family—although Ethel didn't seem like family to me, because until recently we hadn't seen her in ages. I didn't even know whether she remembered the pearls, but the shower would provide a good opportunity to give them to her. So I did them up the best I could, not forgetting the little card that always went with them.

You know the old routine by now. When the scout posted at the door to watch for the guest of honor called "Here she comes!" the lights were turned out, and there was comparative silence broken only by a few giggles from the teen-agers. Then, as Ethel stood in the doorway, everyone yelled "Surprise!" on went the lights, and she put on a fairly convincing display of amazement.

We all sat around in the usual circle, with Ethel opening the gifts and Joan reading the accompanying cards. Then they were passed on to be duly admired and exclaimed over, and returned via the circle to Ethel. The donor of the seventh gift, by tradition to be the next bride, turned out to be a stoutish matron who lived down the street and had three strapping half-grown boys.

IT WAS getting late, and we were hopefully sniffing the fragrance of the coffee brewing in the kitchen when Ethel reached 'way down for the last package. The white paper and red cord looked rather plain after all the other pretty wrappings and I was sorry that I hadn't taken time to dress it up a little. "This must be something extra," Ethel said, giving away the fact that all present and all presents had been accounted for in her busy little mind.

She gave an embarrassed laugh when she saw the shabby box, anticipating another joke. But when



"Why of course, Ethel, I'll own up," I said quickly.

she opened it, there was only the string of small, well-worn pearls. Not real ones, of course, but well matched and graded. As Joan read the card, a burst of incredulous laughter rose throughout the room.

"A pearl for every year of happiness when you wear these on your wedding day." Why, it isn't even signed.

Ethel's voice was shrill over the buzz of comments in the room. "This must be a joke. As if I would wear those—those pearls with my wedding gown. I think the person who did this should own up. And I have a pretty good idea," turning and looking pointedly at me, "who it is."

I stood up. "Why of course, Ethel, I'll own up," I said quickly. "And I did hope that you might wear them at your wedding. But I can see that it was a mistake on my part, and I'm truly sorry for what I did. But there's one consolation," I couldn't help adding when I saw the look of triumph in her eye. "You'll not get a duplicate of these at another shower. You see, they belonged to our grandmother."

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Girl to her date in a night club: "I think I'll have another drink. It makes you so witty."

Zionist Believes Earth Is Flat Despite Photos

ZION, ILL.—Recent rocket photographs showing a curve in the earth's surface don't mean a thing to the faithful in this sectarian community.

The photographs, taken from 57 miles altitude over White Sands proving ground, N. M., were shown to M. J. Mintern, overseer of the Christian Catholic church, which holds that the earth is nearly flat.

Overseer Mintern said "when you have something really worth while in the way of proof that the earth is spherical, let me know."

Mintern is the successor to the late Wilbur Glenn Voliva who maintained a standing offer of \$5,000 to anyone who could prove to his satisfaction that the earth is round.

The concept of the flat earth with four definable corners is based, Overseer Mintern said, upon a literal interpretation of the Old Testament.

"We have heard of a short passage to Russia across the north pole," Overseer Mintern said. "But, has anyone ever gone in a straight course over the so-called south pole from Chile to Java?"

The overseer said the theory of the flat earth was a "side issue" in his church beliefs. "There are things we don't know, and that applies to the earth, too," he said.

Ex-Trolleyman Hurtles

His New Bus Into Brush

WILKES-BARRE. — For 28 years Andrew Ondash was a trolley operator who knew every inch of rail along the line. He knew, too, that everywhere the tracks went, the trolley was sure to go. Then his company put busses on the line he served those many years.

The new mechanism was unfamiliar. But Andrew took a firm grip on the wheel and turned. The bus left the highway, hurdled a ditch and ploughed 10 feet into underbrush.

Andrew's bosses said it was all right. They felt everyone must learn, some time.

Manager in Crowded Store

Defies Threats of Bandit

OMAHA, NEB. — A holdup man backed down when the manager of the store he planned to rob defied him to make the holdup in the presence of shopping crowds.

Amil Martin, manager of the store, said he was accosted in the rear of the store by a well-dressed man who had what appeared to be a pistol stuck in his waistband and declared "this is a stickup."

Martin said the man handed him a paper bag and ordered him to go to the safe and fill it. When he refused, he said the man reached for the gun and asked, "Do you want it right now?"

"I then walked up to the front of the store," Martin related.

When the would-be robber asked him what he was going to do Martin said, he replied "I'm not going to do anything. If you hold me up you'll have to hold up the whole store."

The man looked over the crowds of shoppers and replied as he departed, "Okay, Mac, you win, but don't follow me."

The Republicans lost the presidential election because GOP high command refused to allow Gov. Dewey to take a definite stand on any of the major issues in the public mind.—Senator-elect Guy M. Gillette (D-Iowa).



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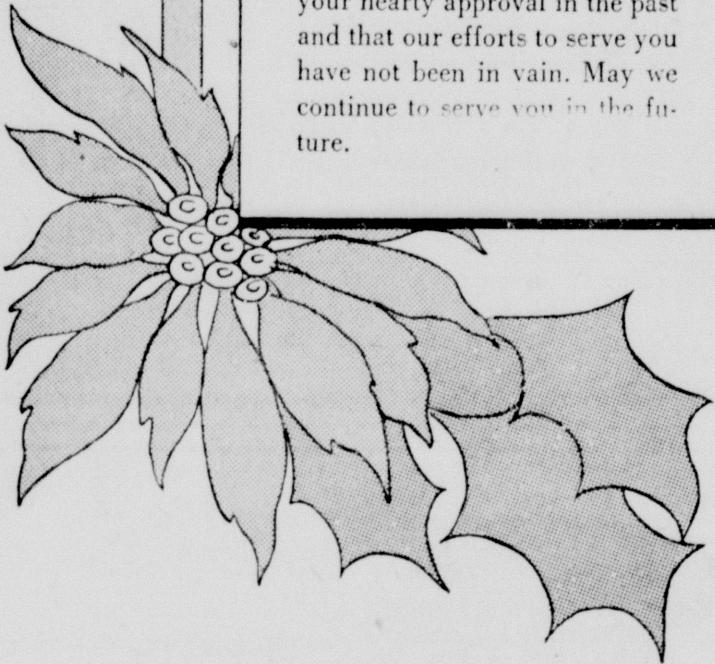


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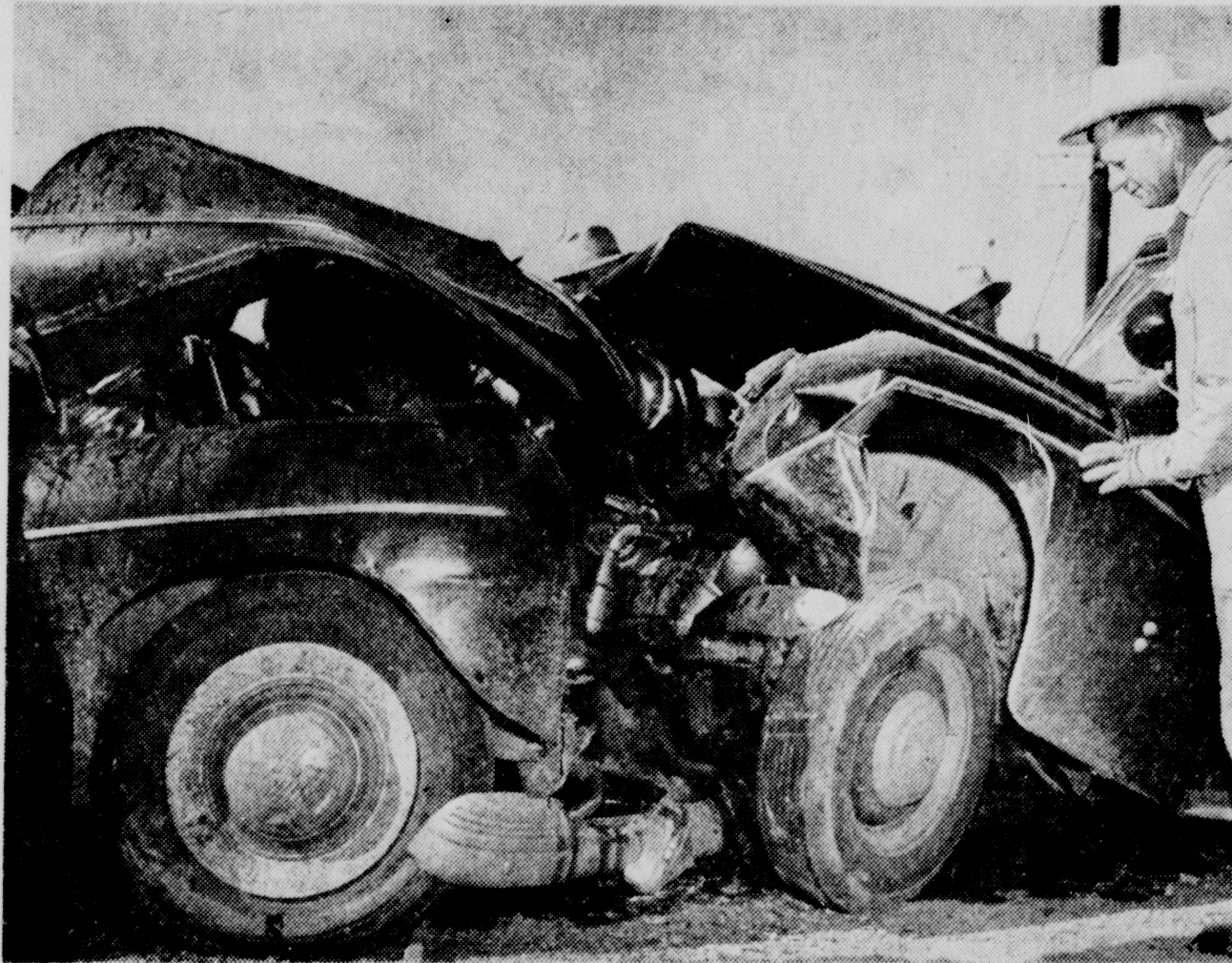
We wish you again, as we have wished for you many times before, a joyous Christmas, and a successful New Year.

We trust we have met with your hearty approval in the past and that our efforts to serve you have not been in vain. May we continue to serve you in the future.



S. T. NORRIS
Painting

Death Rides the Highways in Randall County



When two cars meet head-on, there is a tragic toll of life. The above pictures the result of such a collision on Highway 87 north of Canyon last week. The sheriff from Guymon, Okla., was killed and a rider in his car died following the accident. A prisoner of the sheriff's and a West Texas State student, driver of the second car, were badly injured.

Gold Mines Idled By Pegged Prices And High Costs

DENVER. — Gold mining in this important mining state verges on near-collapse. This is evident in operating statistics, which show only 230 mines being worked, compared with more than 1,000 before the war. A contributing factor, it is acknowledged, has been the 47 per cent increase in the cost of labor, processing and materials.

The gold mine operators also blame these factors: (1) The wartime government order closing mines which produce only gold, and (2) the government-pegged price of \$35 an ounce for gold.

The wartime order hit hardest in the Cripple Creek area not far from Colorado Springs, for the mines there produce only gold. Elsewhere—at Leadville, Alma and San Juan, for example—other minerals such as silver, lead, zinc and copper are found mixed with gold. The government-ordered close-down drew miners from the Cripple Creek area to the diggings in other parts of the state.

Cripple Creek's difficulties were magnified by the fact that many gold mines there are unable at present to offer high enough wages to lure these workers back into the fold. The multi-mineral diggings are able to pay costs through the sale of base metals, leaving the gold as profit.

Mining Wages Are Low
Cripple Creek's mining wages are the lowest in the state, averaging \$1 an hour. This compares with \$11.50 a day in nonferrous mining and \$10 a day in coal mining. As a result, only a dozen or so mines at Cripple Creek are now operating, many of them at a loss. In boom days the area boasted over 500 active mines.

Many of the mines are kept open simply because this is less costly than re-opening at some future date, and repairing the deterioration which takes place in a closed mine.

The Golden Cycle mill at Cripple Creek furnishes an example of cost. Its ore last year averaged \$11 a ton in gold.

Some Mines Pay Off
The Melvina, at once-famous Gold Hill, shipped out ore assaying \$300 a ton, and old Glorieta near Victor disgorged ore containing \$840 a ton in gold.

The Kicking Horse, near Boulder, sent out assaying \$366 a ton to the mills. But these are merely the rich strikes of which every gold miner dreams.

The \$35-an-ounce pegged price, according to mining interests, amounts to government discrimination against American producers, since far higher prices can be obtained on the open world market.

Every increase in international tension sends new buyers into the market seeking to exchange paper currency for gold, and American black market gold is reported bringing as high as \$110 an ounce.

Legitimate operators, however, must sell to the government at \$35, while Russian, Argentine and South African gold goes into the open markets at far higher prices.

An insurance company issued a life insurance policy in the name of one Samuel Johnson. Premiums were paid promptly for a few years, but suddenly they stopped. After a few delinquent notices, the company received this reply: "Dear Sir: Please excuse us as we can't pay any more insurance on Sam. He died last May. Yours truly, Mrs. S. Johnson."

From a department store advertisement in the Elmira, N. Y., Star-Gazette: "Whatever type your father is, we know we can help you choose a gift to make him grim all over."

THE AMERICAN WAY



It's No Mystery to Most of Us, Lefty!
Lefty does not realize the Founding Fathers planted the tree of Freedom so well that it is deeply rooted.

When in need of a handyman, it has long been the custom in Nashville, Tenn., to drive to the river front where many odd-job seekers congregate, engage the most likely-looking and take him back with you.

Last spring, needing someone to work on the lawn, I drove down and picked out a man whose overalls showed more wear on the knees than on the seat. After explaining the work, I asked his price per hour. "Can't say, suh, till I speak to the butcher," he replied.

Feeling somewhat baffled, I stopped the car at the nearest market. After a brief conversation with the butcher, my man returned and said, "It'll be 79 cents an hour today, suh."

"That'll be all right," I agreed. "But why did you have to check with the butcher?"

"Well, suh, 10' 35 years I been worrin' by the price of po'k chops

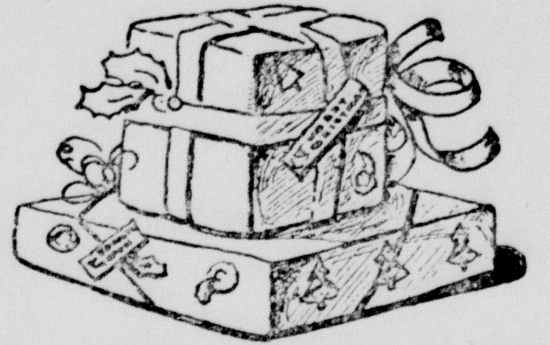
per pound, an' today they is 79 cents."

The Association To Tell Women Their Slips Are Showing, of Salt Lake City, has been dissolved.

"The good old days are gone," ex-president Steve Maloney explains. "It was the New Look that did it. The last five women I warned about their slips just smiled and said, 'Thanks for noticing. It's pretty, isn't it?'"

In a country newspaper: "One of the most interesting events for ladies will take place on Wednesday when there will be a petting and approach contest on the golf course."

From a story of fishing in the Northwest Organizer: "Still, as Fred Simmons says, 'For sheer tricks, fight and stamina, give me a small-mouthed lass at sundown any time.'"



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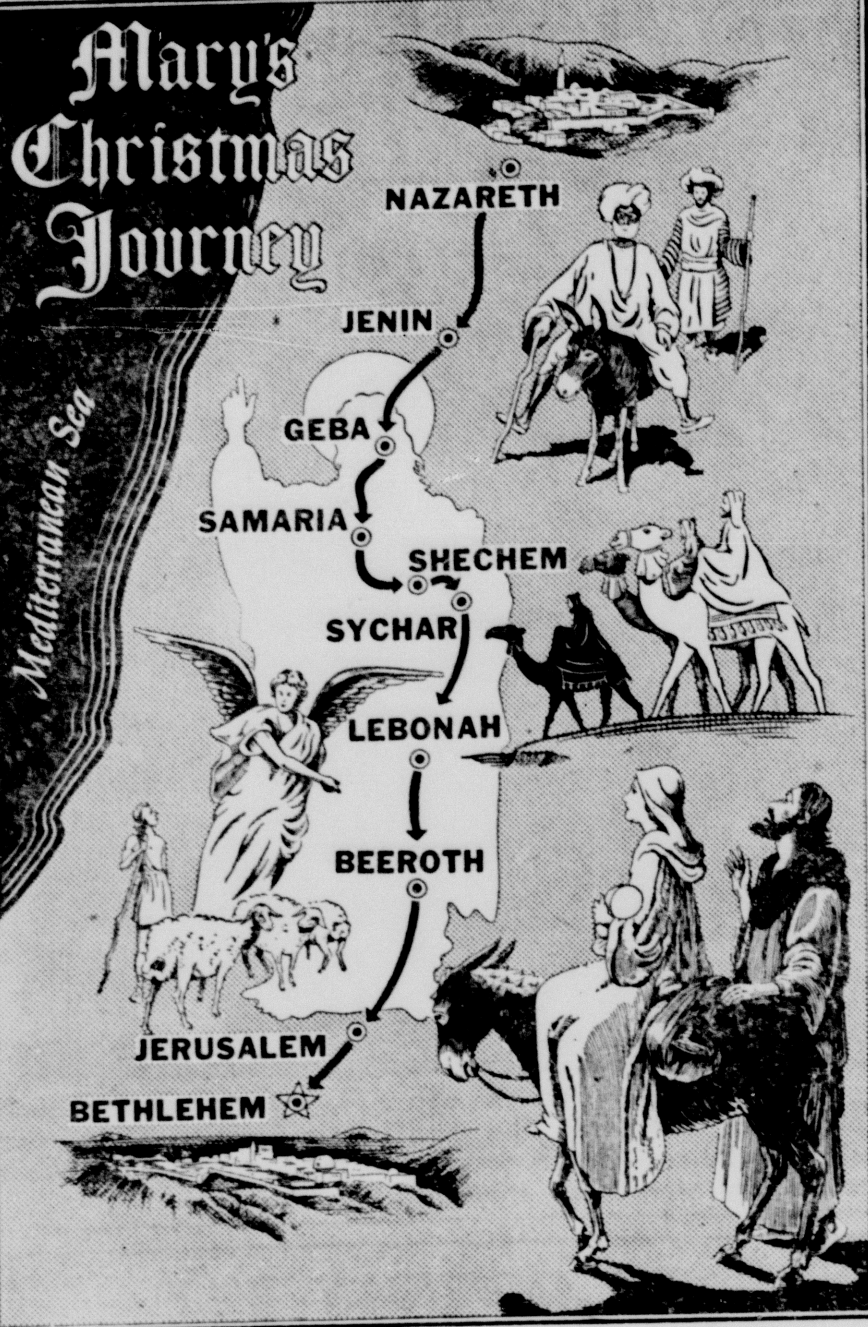
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OUT OF HIS MIND

One of the assistant editors on a national magazine wore a hat to the office one day. While he was in conference with his boss, a writer on the staff inspected the hat, then went down to the store it came from and bought an exact duplicate, complete even to the monogrammed initials on the sweatband. There was only one difference—it was three sizes larger than the original. Back at the office he switched the hats. At the end of the day when the editor put on his hat, it fell over his ears. Thoroughly mystified, he took it off and examined it. There were his initials—it must be his hat.

The next day, he was again wearing the hat, which now seemed to fit pretty well. As soon as he went out of the room, the writer inspected the hat. He found the sweatband was stuffed with tissue paper; so he took the paper out, stuffed it in the original hat, and put that on the rack. At the end of the day, when the editor put on his hat, it just sat on the top of his head. Again he looked inside — and immediately went off to Bellevue Hospital for an examination.

When loyalty check questionnaires had to be filled out by Government employees all over the country, a rugged individualist in San Francisco put down some information that gave the examiners something to think about.

In the space devoted to her foreign activities, this young lady wrote: "Before the war I spent one year in Germany. Does this make me a Nazi? I also spent one year in Russia. Does this make me a Communist? I also own property in the Virgin Islands. Period."

In Hartford, Conn., a public works laborer was filling out a job questionnaire. To the question, "Who is your immediate supervisor?" he jotted down, "My wife."

NOT IN THE CARDS

One night at a party, violinist Fritz Kreisler entertained the assembled guests with a dazzling display of card tricks, at which he is adept. At the end of the evening one of the guests approached him and said: "Mr. Kreisler, I've been hearing so many wonderful things about you. I wonder if you would care to perform at a party I am giving next week."

"See my agent," said Kreisler. "He makes the financial arrangements." The agent was consulted, the contract signed, and the following week Kreisler arrived at the party. He placed his violin in a chair, and started to rub his hands to get the chill out of them. His host, entering the room, took in the scene at a glance.

"My word!" he whistled. "You play the violin, too?"

Mr. Parker, a phlegmatic Englishman who had married into a southern family of emotional intensity, spent much time and effort trying to impress his household with the virtues of serenity and tranquility. It is not surprising, therefore, that their colored cook had to make three attempts before she nerved herself to come to the dining room and announce: "I came to tell you, as cam as I can—the house is on fiah."

When Lynn Waldorf was coach at Northwestern University, the fan mail one Monday—following a defeat of Northwestern—brought a post card from a nearby convent with this message: "Dear Coach: We don't have any team either. Sincerely yours, Sister Ann."

Lady at reception to author: "Well, that gives us something in common—you've written a book and I've read one."

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Business men now are coming out of the cyclone cellars they ducked into the morning after election. Many heartened by White House no-hard-feelings declarations, now think the Administration will be no rougher on them than Dewey would have had to be, in view of what may be ahead in world affairs and U. S. economy.

Fantastic losses amounting to millions in food values are poured down the drain every year by American housewives, says E. J. Cameron of the National Canners Association. Main waste: water-soluble Vitamin C and calcium found as much in fluid contents of canned foods as in solid portion.

House Speaker-elect Rayburn and Vice President-elect Barkley are urging President Truman not to ask Congress for an "excess profit" tax. They insist that no other single issue, except perhaps civil rights legislation, could do more to destroy harmony between Capitol Hill and the White House.

State Legislatures will be asked by the National Association of Travel Officials to postpone Labor Day to the third Monday in September. Object to stretch vacation time.

Radio announcer: "Tune in tomorrow night—same time, same station, same depressing news."



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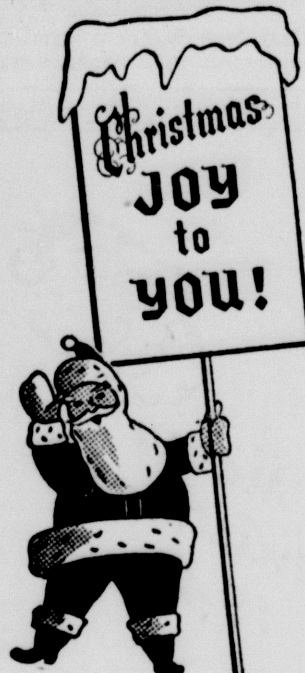
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Coke Stevenson Is Not to Give Up the Fight for Senator

According to press reports Coke Stevenson will not give up his fight for the U. S. Senate.

The former Governor is asking the U. S. Supreme Court to declare that he was the winner of the second primary and then vacate the office to which Lyndon Johnson was elected in November.

Rain Missed Out In Spite of the Weather Forecast

Rain had been predicted for the week end. But no moisture fell.

However the weather has been very mild and pleasant throughout the past week. This is a great relief from the high winds which prevailed during the previous week ends.

Capt. Fred Hart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Silas Hart, arrived home last Friday evening to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents. Capt. Hart is attending the Airforce Institute of Technology in Dayton, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Barnes of Bloomfield, Iowa, and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Madden of Mt. Sterling, Iowa, spent last week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Otto White, enroute to California. Mrs. Barnes and Mrs. White are sisters.

Mrs. Ethel Mullins, Mrs. Mittie Wirtman will spend Christmas holidays in Tulsa and Lockney with Mr. and Mrs. Q. B. Wirtman. T. F. Anderson and family and Bob Wirtman and family from San Angelo will meet the family there.

Charles Stratton, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Stratton, is spending the Christmas holidays here with his parents. Charles is attending school at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles, Calif.

Mrs. W. S. Myers will spend Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Price in Plainview. It is planned that all the relatives that can will be there for Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Prichard and Diane will spend Christmas Day in Snyder visiting with Mrs. Prichard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Woodfin.

Stop soil erosion—stop erosion.

Britons Laugh At Their Own Brand of Humor

LONDON. — In vaudeville they used to say: "He who laughs last—wins."

But the British know that old cliché about their alleged lack of a sense of humor isn't true. They laugh as often and with the same response as the Americans. Only they don't always laugh at the same things.

That probably is natural, considering there is an ocean between the two nations. Recently a British poll was taken on what they laughed at what and when in this country.

It showed that the British city dweller is more apt to laugh at jokes about war and current affairs, while the countryman guffaws mainly at domestic humor.

People over 40 laugh more at religion and drunkenness and dialect stories. Younger folk seem to go for "shaggy dog" stories.

Favorite British Joke

Four years ago the same poll asked the same questions on humor and decided that this was the favorite British joke:

Having ordered a plate of cabbage, a restaurant customer plastered it over his head. "What are you doing with that cabbage?" demanded the proprietor. "Is that cabbage?" said the customer. "I thought it was spinach."

The same joke has reappeared in many forms in this year's poll. Here is one of the variations:

A man enters a pub, orders a beer, drains it and walks straight up the wall, across the ceiling, down the other side and out of the door. "That's odd," said another man at the bar. "Yes," said the barmaid, "he usually orders ale."

And another:

"This morning," says a man to a friend, "Julius Caesar got on the No. 9 bus with me at Marble Arch and told me he had to race back to Rome for the Ides of March."

"You're lying," snapped the friend. "The No. 9 bus doesn't go to Marble Arch."

More English Humor

"Two spinsters went for a tramp in the woods—he got away."

A friend met Harry Pollitt, British Communist leader, in brilliant sunshine with his umbrella up. "It's raining in Moscow," Comrade Harry explained.

Winston Churchill met Heath Minister Aneurin Bevin in the house of commons and the Socialist leader asked Churchill for twopenny to ring up a friend. "Here's fourpence," said Churchill, "ring up all your friends."

A child climbed on a hobby horse in a department store and refused to get off. The store psychologist was called and after he whispered in the child's ear it immediately went home with its mother. "What did you say," marveled the mother, "to make my naughty child so obedient?" Said the psychologist: "I merely whispered 'Get off that dashed horse or I'll break your dashed neck.'"

Australians Plan 3,000 Ton Bomb Blast in New Guinea

SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA. — There is going to be a big bang up in New Guinea early next year.

The Australian army and air force are planning to set off 3,000 tons of bombs in one mighty blast. It will rank with the biggest half dozen man made explosions of the world.

These were five atom bombs and the detonation of 8,500 tons of high explosives on Helgoland, German fortress island, in April, 1947.

The New Guinea bombs, left over from World War II, will go up at a dump at Tadi near the big war time base of Aitape.

Scientists from England and Australia will be there to study the effect of the blast on the earth's crust. About 20 seismograph recording stations will be scattered around the explosion area.

The noise of the explosion should be big enough to be heard for hundreds of miles. The electric detonators that will explode the bombs likely will be about seven miles from the center of the dump.

Barred From Marriage, Four Teen-Agers Commit Suicide

NEW DELHI, INDIA. — Four teen-age boys and girls committed suicide with poisoned candy because their parents, of different castes, forbade their marriage, a Lucknow newspaper said.

The newspaper, the National Herald, said a third boy, a mutual friend of the two couples, also died in the love pact.

The dispatch gave these details: Two Hindu sisters, daughters of a lawyer, two male students and the third boy left their homes in Hamirpur City when the boys' and girls' parents of different castes, refused them permission to marry.

They celebrated on the banks of the sacred Jumna river their "reunion in Heaven" and then distributed poisoned sweets among themselves.

The five bodies were buried side by side by the weeping parents. Hindus bury bodies of unmarried persons but cremate others.

African's Marriage To White Girl Irks Bamangwato Tribe

LONDON. — The heir-apparent to an African tribal throne disclosed he had been called on the carpet by his tribe counselors for marrying a white girl.

The heir, Seretse Khama, 27, who wed Ruth Williams, 24, a London clerk, is flying home to Bechuanaland to explain why he became the first Bamangwato tribesman in history to marry a white.

"I still want to be chief of Bamangwato, and want my wife to be by my side," he said. "I expect the final issue will rest with my people."

The tall, mustached African came here to study law before taking over the reins of state next year. He and Ruth fell in love, and were married. Only after the ceremony did Khama send word back home.

His uncle, who reigns as regent over the tribe's 100,000 people while Khama studies, quickly cabled him to report for "talks of grave importance."

"I gather my uncle and his counselors may think differently of having me as chief now that I have a white wife," he said at the bridal couple's London flat.

His attractive bride said: "My one hope is that I can go to Bamangwato and help him rule. The fact that I would be one white woman among 100,000 doesn't worry me."

Khama is going home alone, but "whatever happens," he said, he'll either be back for his bride or he'll send for her.

Citizens Ridicule Poor Wording of Soviet Sign

MOSCOW. — The newspaper Soviet Moldavia called on restaurant managers and commercial officials to be more careful about their wording of signs because some cause a lot of laughter.

An amused citizen called on a doctor and asked him to fill out a certificate that he had a "normal neck." The doctor could not understand until the friend led him to a kerosene store which displayed a sign saying:

"Kerosene will not be sold to citizens with narrow necks." The sign referred, of course, to citizens who had cans with narrow necks.

Medical Men Deny Charges Of Planned Doctor Shortage

CHICAGO. — Members of the medical profession struck back at critics who have implied that forces are at work in this country to create a shortage of from 30,000 to 50,000 physicians by 1960.

The American Medical Journal cited Dr. Thomas Parran, surgeon general of the public health service, as author of the shortage statistics which it said recently were re-emphasized by Oscar R. Ewing, federal security administrator.

"Actually the number of physicians is increasing at a relatively more rapid rate than is the general population," the journal said. "Ten years ago statistics indicated one active physician for every 800 persons in this country."

"At present there is one physician for every 760 persons. By 1960 there will be one physician for every 700 persons or fewer. More physicians currently are being trained in this country than at any time in our history. All indications point to a still further increase in the number of physicians graduated each year."

Mysterious Ghost Train Spares Aged Man's Life

SAGINAW, MICH. — Edward Peacock, 91, owes his life to what apparently was a "ghost train."

The aged man stumbled and fell on a railroad crossing at 9:57 a. m. He was unable to rise as a freight train bore down on him.

Mrs. John R. Hilderbrand and Mrs. Mary Cummings, with whom Peacock lives in a home beside the tracks, said they saw the train grind to a halt within inches of the old man.

They said the engineer and conductor got out and carried Peacock into their home. He was not injured.

But police say they have no report of such an accident and neither has any railroad in the area. Furthermore, railroad officials agreed there was no train scheduled to pass the crossing within an hour of the time the incident occurred.

Seeing-Eye Dog Makes Steady Hospital Visits

MEDFORD, MASS. — The steady visitor at Lawrence Memorial hospital barks at the door instead of knocking.

The caller is Gal, a six-year-old German shepherd seeing-eye dog. Gal makes daily visits to her blind mistress, Dr. Muriel Anderson, 52, an osteopathic physician from David City, Neb.

Inseparable for five years, Gal and Dr. Anderson were parted temporarily when the woman was struck by a truck while visiting friends in Medford.

Despite Dr. Anderson's long hospitalization with a fractured leg and hip, Gal never fails her blind mistress.

Explosive Mines Still Jeopardize World Shipping

NEW YORK. — Despite the mine-sweeping efforts of the navies of many countries since the end of World War II, the world's seaways are still not free from the danger of mines.

More than 200 ships have been sunk or damaged by mines since the war's end.

The United States navy says no guarantee can be given that even after all the sweepers have been called home, a mine will not pop up occasionally in the next 20 years. A World War I mine was discovered last July off Cape May, N. J.

The worst mine disaster since World War II was the recent sinking of the Danish steamer Kobenhavn. The small coastal excursion vessel blew up in the Kattegat with a reported loss of 200 lives.

Many Ships Lost

Figures released by a New York war risk insurance authority show that 251 ships of all nationalities have struck mines since V-E day in the Atlantic and Mediterranean, and since V-J day in the Pacific. Of this total, 116 were either sunk or declared a total loss.

Although the danger from mines has not yet been eliminated, it has been reduced immeasurably by a two-pronged international effort.

First, all navies with minesweeping facilities launched a coordinated program of mine clearance. This began with the establishment and maintenance of swept channels to permit resumption of essential traffic. Later, known minefields were swept.

The second phase of the program was the setting up of a system to enable shipmasters to pass safely through areas mined during the war.

Pacific Headquarters

In the Pacific the United States hydrographic office branch at Honolulu was designated as the agency to collect and disseminate all mine information. This data is circulated in a series of radio messages called "hydropacs" (Hydrographic Information Pacific).

Interested governments were asked to forward information to Honolulu. These radio dispatches are given wide distribution throughout the area and are then issued in booklet form for the use of shipmasters.

In the Atlantic the main problem was centered in European waters. An international committee was set up in London known as the International Routing and Reporting Authority (IRRA). This body operates in much the same manner as the United States hydrographic office in the Pacific.

After driving his cows home one evening, a Maine farmer announced triumphantly, "It's here at last."

"What's here, Dad?" his son asked.

"A white quartz boulder I found in the far pasture. It's a beauty, and I wanted it here at the house. But it's so heavy I could barely move it. So every night, as I started the cattle home, I've turned the boulder once in this direction. Now it's here."

"How long has it taken you?" his son asked.

"Over two years."

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T. A. Black

A friend of mine with three children in college was badly upset when her physician told her she was going to have another child. "I simply can't go through it again, Doctor!" she wailed.

your other pregnancies?" he asked sympathetically.

"Heavens, no! Having babies never bothered me a bit, physically. It's the PTA that gets me down!"

"Did you have complications with

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Holiday Date-Bait



There's allure aplenty in Claire Tiffany's enchanting, new version of her famous "Success" dress. A sunburst of meticulous tucking radiates from the round, little-girl neckline and repeats across the skirt front. Cleverly concealed unpressed pleats add fashionable front fullness. Fine Romaine crepe in sorcery blue, valor red, chivalry green, or black. Sizes 10 to 18.

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You'll claim the lime-light in this actionbound classic by Claire Tiffany. Fashioned from "Wrinkl-Shed" cotton, it resists muzzing; shrugs off creases over night. Zipper fly-front slings; large roomy hip pockets and an "air-conditioned" action-panel in back. Sanforized* assorted rainbow plaid on white ground. Sizes 12 to 20.

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The Canyon News, Canyon, Texas

C & M Cafe To Have Formal Opening Thursday



These three views of the new C & M Cafe give the public a small idea of the beautifully equipped new cafe that is being formally opened today, Thursday. To formally open the cafe Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hair, owners and operators, are extending an invitation to the public to have free coffee and donuts with them Thursday. In the top picture is a view of the kitchen through the serving bar. Mr. Hair and his assistant cook, W. L. Phillips, have stopped for a minute in a dinner hour to pose for the photographer. In the middle picture are lunch customers and John Mahle, waiter, and Mrs. Hair at the cash register. In the lower picture are lunch customers seated in the comfortable and attractive blue and white upholstered booths. Mr. Mahle is taking orders. Mrs. Phillips, waitress, was busy in other sections at each time a picture was snapped. Other assistants are Jim Black and Knox Nelson. All fixtures are rubbed oak and chromium. The walls are pale blue, blending with the colors of the booths. Gay Christmas decorations give a festive air.

Fairview Breezes

The Rev. Gerald Johnston delivered two excellent sermons Sunday.

Misses Vesta and Lavena Amerson visited in the parental P. O. Amerson home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Shipman and Mrs. G. E. Wesley and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wesley accompanied their Sunday School classes to the canyon for a hike Sunday. Those going in the junior class were Etta Jean Sharpes, Charles Wilson, Betty and Laquita Patterson, Troy Sharpes, and Jerry Shipman. Primary pupils going were Nan Earle and Jean Shipman, Darrell Wilson, Patricia Patterson. The group took sandwiches and roasted weiners.

Brother and Mrs. Johnston and Stevy were Sunday visitors in the S. F. Sharpes home.

Joyce Gazzaway visited with Anna Belle Schaeffer Sunday.

Melvin Schaeffer and Mike Northrup were married last Sunday.

D. L. Whitson's mother passed away last Monday at Itasca, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wesley and Vesta motored to Littlefield Tuesday and brought their two grandchildren Daria Anna and Jimmy Don home with them. Their parents came for them Saturday, taking them home.

We will have our annual Christmas tree on Christmas Eve at the church. There will be a short program before Santa Claus comes.

Word from Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Schaeffer says they are enjoying a visit with their daughter and son-in-law and granddaughter, the Slacks.

Mrs. Hawlman, mother of Mrs. Charles Sutton, is visiting her.

Etta Jean Sharpes visited Sunday afternoon with Mrs. J. W. Wesley.

The Sharpes plan on spending the Christmas holidays at Clyde with their daughters and their families, the Allens and Smiths.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wise left Tuesday to visit Mrs. Wise's mother in Chicago.

John Patterson and family will spend Christmas day with Mrs. Patterson's parents at Groom.

The Wesleys plan on spending Christmas Day with the E. P. Wesleys at Canyon.

Brother of W. J. Wooten Dies In Perryton

A. K. Wooten, brother of W. J. Wooten of this city, died in Childress. He was buried Monday afternoon in Perryton. W. J. Wooten attended his brother's funeral Monday. Death was attributed to a heart attack.

Glenn Dowlen, Jr., who is attending the University of Texas in Austin, arrived home Wednesday to spend Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Dowlen.

Glenn, Jr. is majoring in voice at the University, and has been paid soloist at the Episcopal Church in Austin. Clovis Shepherd, brother of Mrs. Dowlen, who is also attending the University of Texas, will spend the holidays in the Glenn Dowlen home.

Guests for the Christmas week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wirt and daughter, are Mrs. Wirt's parents and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Tracey Britt and Gwendolyn from Chicago. The Britt arrived Monday.

Miss Dorinda Bond moved to Amarillo Monday. She sold her home in Canyon to John Lill. Miss Bond bought a home while teaching journalism in West Texas State, but returned last year to her former position in the Amarillo public schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Wirt, Martha and John Quillen will have Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Wirt in Amarillo.

Max Bellah, who is attending the University of Texas in Austin, is spending the Christmas holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bellah.

Spending the holidays here with her mother, Mrs. Gladys Haines, is Miss Virgie Haines who is attending North Texas State Teachers College, in Denton.

Miss Elaine Phillips of Amarillo, is a house guest of Marthelung Hunter during the Christmas holidays.

Buddha in Tibet Will Wear Robes From South Dakota

DEADWOOD, S. D. — Just because the fur isn't flying in the distant Himalayas, even though the Russians are involved, the dalai lama is considering setting up official diplomatic relations between the United States and Tibet.

It's all because the Reds have slapped an economic-religious blockade on Buddhist faithful in the Kamchatka peninsula, preventing them from sending white beaver pelts to Koko Nor — the Buddhist "vatican" near Lhasa, where the dalai lama holds court. And as a result, the "living Buddha" is in danger of getting shabby, since his ceremonial robes are traditionally made of the fur of the rare animal.

Now word has leaked—doubtless by some capitalist agent—that the white beaver is not only to be found in the mountainous interior of the Kamchatka: There are white beavers also in the Black Hills of South Dakota. The Tibetan economic mission now in the United States has, therefore, put in an order, and a first shipment of pelts from Deadwood, S. D., is being eagerly awaited at Lhasa.

The pelts will go in by muleback—there are no airfields. But, at least since the war, Tibetans do know that there are airplanes. Some yak hunters had previously reported flying machines which they had tried unsuccessfully to shoot down with their crossbows.

The trade relations between Lhasa and Deadwood, S. D., will be sealed from the Tibetan end with silver—word of the Marshall plan not yet having penetrated the Himalayan peaks.

Pennsylvania Town Looks For Cannonball Buyers

LINESVILLE, PA. — Would you have any use for a second-hand cannonball of Civil war vintage?

This little Crawford county community has a dozen or so nobody seems to want and any reasonable offer will be considered.

They've been kicking around the town for years, the park and elsewhere. They came to light the other day when the street commissioner, rummaging around in Town Hall basement, stumbled over them.

They've been put up at auction but the best offer so far has been six cents each. What do we hear?

Railroad Conductors in Argentine Must Be Tough

BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA. —The cold war between passengers and conductors of Argentine railroads has developed into a shooting war.

The trouble began when the government railroad administration decreed that passengers no longer could buy tickets aboard the trains. These hostilities have resulted:

1. One passenger threw a conductor off a moving train.
2. A conductor fired a pistol at a passenger. The bullet missed, but the passenger fell off the steps of the moving train, breaking his ankle.
3. Another passenger tried, unsuccessfully, to throw a conductor off a train.
4. Passengers continually jeer the conductors as they pass through the coaches; delay in showing their tickets and generally make things unpleasant for rail employees.

Speechless 5 Years, Vet Regains Voice on Coaster

NEW YORK.—The mile-a-minute roller coaster at Coney Island scared Emilio Franco into screaming, just like anyone else.

But Franco's shouts were the first sounds he has uttered in five years—since he mysteriously lost his voice while serving as an army private in 1943.

Doctors had told the 35-year-old machinist and coal miner from Fairmont, W. Va., that he had "hysteriaaphonia," an ailment where speech is lost without organic reason.

During his first ride on the roller coaster at a relative's suggestion—Franco suddenly began to scream and shout.

When the roller coaster stopped, Franco spoke his first words since 1943: "I feel sick."

To Avenge Parrot's Death Owner Tries to Shoot Cat

MIDDLETOWN, CONN.—The cat came back, minus bullet holes and with all of its nine lives intact. And Charles Nixon, who already has paid a fine for supposedly killing the feline, says he won't shoot at it again.

The cat, called Ruffles, killed Nixon's 30-year-old parrot, Texas. To avenge his pet, Nixon shot at the cat and saw it drop.

Nixon was taken into court, paid a \$5 fine and asserted, "it was well worth it."

However, Ruffles returned home. Numerous scars on his body told of his fracas with the late Texas. But there was nary a bullet hole.

"He must have been playing possum," commented the examining veterinarian.

SHORT STORY Always A Payoff By KATHRYN BEMIS

HENRY HALL came breezing into his suburban bungalow. No Mandy in the kitchen, no wife Grace in sight. "Grace will warm up something and call it dinner!" he sputtered. "Why does she play bridge on Mandy's day off?" But after living ten years with a bald-headed, flat-chested little scrimp of a man like himself, a modest-salaried manager of a women's apparel shop, he couldn't blame Grace for craving entertainment.

He switched on a lamp in the living room and settled into his chair by the radio. His gaze lighted on his encyclopedia.

He took out the first volume his hand touched. Perhaps a little Shakespeare would brighten his talk. He started as something flew out from a leaf, zigzagged to the rug.

A ten dollar bill! He snatched it up, stuffed it into his billfold. Grace, hiding her money in books! He yanked out another masterpiece, shook it. Two more tens fluttered before Henry's eyes.

Within a few minutes, he had shaken down \$200 instead of meaty knowledge, from the awe-inspiring tomes.

BUT from that night on, Henry was worried. The allowance he gave Grace was small. She must have scripped on household expenses a long time to save that money. What sinister project was she planning?

So he was greatly relieved one evening when she met him at the door and quavered, "Oh, Henry, I've been robbed!"

Henry managed to look concerned. He asked, "Robbed? What's gone?"

"Two hundred dollars I saved from the house-money! I hid it in the encyclopedia! I've slaved—done without Mandy days on end—saved what I would have paid her—"

Her bitter disappointment overcame his desire to punish her. He jumped up, saying, "Wait! Just a minute!"

He raced upstairs to his clothes closet. He reached into its dark confines for his old brown coat. The brown suit had unaccountably disappeared!

"Where in the dickens is my old brown suit?" he called downstairs.

"That moth catcher? I warned you I'd give that rag away or burn it up! But I did even better. The old clothes man gave me 50 cents for it!"

FROM now on, Henry was a changed man. Finding that old brown suit had become his obsession. Then one morning when giving instructions to one of his saleswomen, he abruptly wheeled about, dashed out to the street. He grabbed a passing man by the collar of his shabby brown coat, demanding, "Where'd you get that suit?"

The voice of the stranger shook with fear of the madman he judged Henry Hall to be. "Griss and Griscom made it for me—five years ago," he said conciliatingly.

"Ha!" jeered Henry, not relaxing his hold. "Griss and Griscom made



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that suit for me—the label's inside! Smart, aren't you?"

"What's coming off here?" snapped a policeman, thrusting Henry aside.

"This man's wearing my suit—he's got the money—he's—"

After the matter had been talked out before the police sergeant and Henry was convinced that the stranger had once been affluent enough to buy custom-made suits and now was clothed in one of them, he returned to the shop, a chastened man.

Mandy's black face wore a broad grin that night when she placed the beef roast before Henry. She said, "Mr. Hall—you know what? My boy fren' looks swell in your old brown suit he bought off'en that ol' c'los' man. He's sure generous, too."

"What's that?" asked the suddenly alert Henry.

"You see, we's fixin' to git married. Mr. Hall. Not bavin' steady work, I ain't saved much, but that man's makin' up fur it! He's already bought me a white 'lectric 'frigerator—big as two like you'll's got!"

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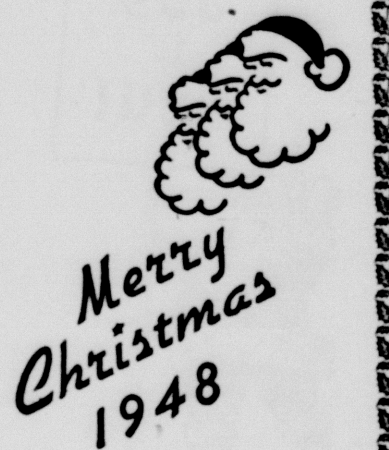
"I got up at dawn to see the sun rise," boasted a tourist. "Well," commented his friend, "you couldn't have picked a better time."

"There isn't one man in a million—no, not one in ten million—who would be so mean to his wife and children as you are!" shrieked a housewife.

"Now that's what I admire in you, dear," rejoined her husband. "You have such a head for figures!"

From the Sebring, Fla., County News: "The trip over the Andes was made in a Consternation plane."

A carboy is a large, colored glass bottle protected with basketwork.



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1930 CLUB MET AT JARRETT HOME

Mrs. C. H. Jarrett was hostess Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock to the 1930 Bridge Club in her home. Yuletide decorations were featured throughout the entertaining rooms, highlight of which was the beautifully decorated Christmas tree. Refreshments were served to Mrs. C. R. Burrow, Mrs. Wallace Clark, Mrs. J. S. Humphreys, Mrs. R. P. Jarrett, Mrs. A. K. Knott, Mrs. F. E. Savage, Mrs. R. A. Terrill, Mrs. C. W. Warwick and the hostess.

Visitors during the past week in the home of Mrs. Jesse Reid were Mr. M. A. Wilson of Dallas, Mrs. Dee May Wilson of Vernon, Mrs. M. E. Higginbotham of Childress, and Mrs. John Lofton of Beaumont. Mrs. Reid had as week-end guests, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Barron and grandson Mike of Lamesa. Mrs. Reid returned to Lamesa with the Barrons to spend Christmas holidays.

Marijo Knott, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A. K. Knott, arrived home last Sunday evening from Gonzales, California where she is teaching. Arriving with her was Miss Gloria Ellis of Oakland, Calif., who will be house guest in the A. K. Knott home during the Christmas holidays.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse J. Raso and James Winston during the Christmas week-end will be Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Wilkinson of Lubbock, Mrs. Nan Stroud of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rankin of Holdenville, Oklahoma. The guests will arrive Friday.

Mrs. Ray Campbell drove to Chillicothe Monday where she visited her sister. She was met in Chillicothe by her daughter Jane, who is attending the University of Texas in Austin, and they returned to Canyon Tuesday where Jane will spend Christmas holidays.

Visiting in Canyon during the Christmas holidays are Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Eugene Thompson, who are attending the University of Texas in Austin. They will visit with Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Slack.

Peggy Jean Head is home from Austin where she is attending the University of Texas. She is spending the Christmas holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Head.

Tommy Thompson, who is attending the University of Texas in Austin, will spend Christmas in Canyon with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Cleavinger, Jr. and family will spend Christmas Day in Plainview with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hitchcock.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Gidden, Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Slack, and Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Rose visited in Hereford Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gibson from Skellytown, were in Canyon Wednesday on their way to the Gibson ranch near Paducah. Mrs. C. H. Jarrett joined them here, and they will all spend Christmas holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Gibson.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth E. Mickey and Donna from Cokedale, Colorado, are spending Christmas holidays in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Mickey. They plan to return home around January 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mickmott and family of Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Sullivan and boys of Panhandle will spend Christmas Eve here in the home of their mother, Mrs. Viola Russell.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Hicks of Borger spent last week-end in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hicks. They will also spend Christmas in the Frank Hicks home.

Mrs. Sidney Feck and son Bobbie Lee of Amarillo visited last week with Mrs. Feck's sister, Mrs. J. R. Shelnett.

Mr. and Mrs. George McCarty and family from Las Cruces, N. M., visited last Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis A. Brown, Dorothy Pean and Avalon, will spend Christmas in Randlette, Okla., with Mrs. Brown's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Cleavinger and family will spend Christmas Day in Amarillo with Mrs. Cleavinger's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Barton.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Davenport spent last week-end in Espanola, N. M., visiting their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bailey.

Miss Jane Darland, of the West Texas State College faculty, will spend the Christmas holidays in Moline, Ill., visiting with relatives.

Miss Helen Taylor will spend Christmas Day visiting her parents in Friona.

H. R. Hungate was in Abilene Saturday, and drove back a new Mercury car Sunday.

Ray Schultz will spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Katie Schultz in Clarks, Nebraska.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Holland of Muleshoe visited friends in Canyon Sunday.

C. L. Joyner is in Memphis, Tenn. this week on business.

Help Keep Canyon Clean!

The phones in Dickens County, Texas were all party lines, and neighbors listened in for miles. One night during a prolonged dry spell, old Ed, a shrewd cattle rancher, got a call from a Kansas City buyer who said, "Understand you've got some steers to sell."

"Well, now," dickered Ed, "I'm not sure I want to sell right now—"

"Ed, for heavens sake," broke in an agonized wail from the party line, "you sell them steers! You know you ain't got any grass!"

Girl on garden bench to youth beside her: "I feel a little chilly, Lester. Will you run inside and get me Jack Davis?"

Inside fire on Robert Lovett, Under Secretary of State, is lessening now that it is clear that President Truman is determined that George Marshall stay on as Secretary of State. The New Deal wing of the White House organization had been gunning for Mr. Lovett ever since Election Day, on the ground that he was a New York banker.

I owe my life to Divine guidance and the Santa Fe Railway—Rev. R. W. O. Knowles, Garden City Kans., clergyman rescued from snowbound train.

In the New York Daily Mirror, Drew Pearson's column was prefaced with: "The author of this column is given the wildest latitude."

God certainly did not intend us to run any risk of going socialist through the Republican Party.—Rep. Ralph W. Gwinn (R-N. Y.).

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